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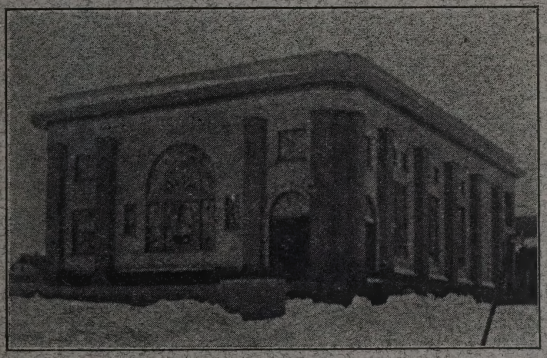

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Miss Mary E. Shanks; Miss Elizabeth McElroy; Miss Annie L. Kennedy.

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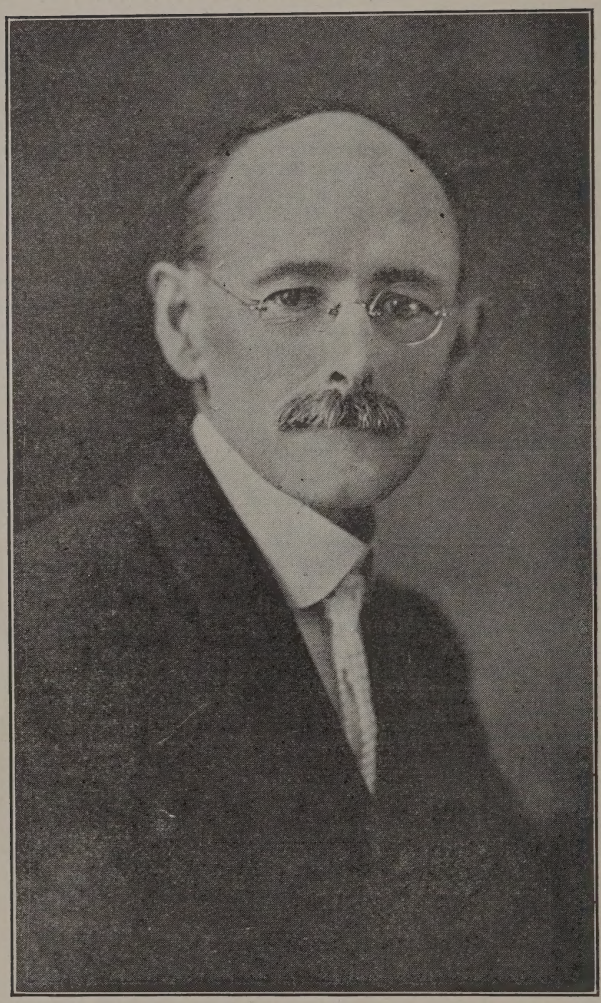

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Greeley, Colorado, June 3, 1920.

The Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America met pursuant to adjournment in the Reformed Presbyterian Church in Greeley, Colorado, on the third day of June, 1920, at eleven A. M.

After a sermon by the retiring Moderator, F. M. Wilson, on the words, "Is there any word from the Lord?" Jeremiah 37:17, the court was by him constituted with prayer, and took recess until 2:00 P. M.

W. J. Coleman led in prayer.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON

Same Place, 2:00 o'clock.

Synod reconvened at the appointed hour, was called to order by the Moderator, and led in prayer by E. A. Crooks. The roll was completed and is as follows:

(The roll was called twelve times. The figures indicate the number of times the delegate responded to his name.)

Congregations	Ministers	Elders
	CENTRAL CANADA	
Winnipeg	F. E. Allen, 12	
	COLORADO	
Denver	S. E. Greer, 10	Robt. Allen, 5. Ex.
Greeley	Chas. T. Carson, 12	W. J. McMillan, 12
La Junta	J. B. Gilmore, 12	J. F. Wilson, 12
	H. B. McMillan, 8	
	J. K. Robb, 9 Ex.	
	ILLINOIS	
Bethel	M. K. Carson, 12	T. H. Wilson, 10
Bloomington		S. S. Smith, 12
Oakdale	W. O. Ferguson, 12	Robert Luney, 12
Old Bethel	O. F. Thompson, 12	
Princeton	M. S. McMillan, 12	S. R. Davis, 12
	G. A. Edgar, 12	
	J. M. Coleman, 12	
	G. R. Steele, 12	
	IOWA	
Chicago	T. C. McKnight, 12	J. C. McCandless, 10 Ex.
Hopkinton	Geo. S. Coleman, 12	B. M. Ferguson, 12
Morning Sun	H. G. Patterson, 12	Jas. Henderson, 12
Rehoboth	W. C. Allen, 12	S. O. Carson, 12
Sharon		S. J. Houston, 12
Washington	W. G. Robb, 12	
	KANSAS	
Beulah		W. J. Crawford, 12
Billings	J. M. Rutherford, 12	B. C. Terry, 11
Cache Creek	W. W. Carithers, 12	Yellowfish, 12
Clarinda		Elmer Stevenson, 12
Denison		J. L. Wright, 12
Eskridge	W. A. Aikin, 12	W. B. Hay, 10
Hebron	J. R. W. Stevenson, 8 Ex.	M. M. Stevenson, 12
Kansas City	J. M. Wylie, 12	R. J. Cathcart, 11
Long Branch		J. H. Walkinshaw, 10
Olathe	J. D. Edgar, 12	J. A. Hemphill, 12
Quinter	G. M. Robb, 10 Ex.	Alfred Graham, 10
Stafford	J. G. Reed, 12	
Sterling	J. G. McElhinney, 12	J. F. Caskey, 8
Superior	E. G. Russell, 12	W. J. Elliott, 11
Tak Hing		J. M. Wright, 11
Topeka	D. R. Taggart, 12	J. W. Carson, 11
Winchester		J. R. Smith, 12
	D. H. Elliott, 12	

	A. J. McFarland, 12 W. M. McNeel, 10 Isaiah Faris, 12 G. R. McBurney, 12 J. Ralston Wylie, 12	
	NEW YORK	
First Boston	W. J. McKnight, 12	J. M. Edgar, 10
Second Boston	J. M. Foster, 12	
Bovina		F. J. Henderson, 10 Ex.
Brooklyn	R. C. Montgomery, 12	Evan W. Jones, 12
Cambridge	John K. Gault, 11	
Coldenham	R. J. Dodds, 12	G. G. McLaury, 11
Montclair		J. W. Pritchard, 11
Second New York		David Park, 12
Walton	Boyd A. White, 12	T. A. Henderson, 10 Ex.
	Walter McCarroll, 12 S. G. Shaw, 12	
	OHIO	
Belle Center	R. W. Piper, 12	J. T. McKelvey, 12
Bellefontaine		S. W. McLean, 12
Cedarville	R. S. McElhinney, 9	
Cincinnati	F. F. Reade, 12	J. E. Huheey, 11
New Concord	John Coleman, 12	
Southfield	J. C. French, 12	J. M. Henning, 11
United Miami		W. B. Keys, 11
Utica	D. B. Martin, 12 W. S. Fulton, 12 E. C. Mitchell, 12	C. W. Fravel, 12
	PACIFIC COAST	
Hemet	J. S. Thompson, 12	
Los Angeles	P. J. McDonald, 12	
Portland	F. D. Frazer, 11	Edw. McBurney, 12
Santa Ana	G. N. Greer, 11	T. L. Faris, 12
Seattle	T. M. Slater, 12	R. I. Tomb, 12
	PHILADELPHIA	
First	S. J. Johnston, 11	
Second	J. C. McFeeters, 12	J. R. Dill, 12
Third	F. M. Wilson, 7 Ex.	
	PITTSBURGH	
Allegheny	W. J. Coleman, 12	J. W. Anderson, 12
Bear Run and Mahoning		Clark Pollock, 12
Beaver Falls	J. B. Tweed, 12	Wm. Wenkhous, 8
College Hill	R. W. Redpath, 12	R. M. Downie, 11
Connellsville	J. M. Johnston, 12	
Geneva	J. C. Slater, 10 Ex.	Robt. McKnight, 11
East End	E. L. McKnight, 12	

Mercer	W. T. K. Thompson, 12	A. M. Allen, 8
Millers Run		J H. McBurney, 11
New Alexandria	D. C. Mathews, 12	J. C. Elder, 10 Ex.
New Castle	E. A. Crooks, 12	W. A. McClelland, 11
Rehoboth	J. T. Mitchell, 12	O. S. Grove, 12
Parnassus	Robert Park, 12	R. M. Young, 12
Pittsburgh	T. H. Acheson, 12	J. S. Tibby, 12
Wilkinsburg	J. B. Willson, 12	William Esler, 12
Syrian-Pittsburgh	Anthony Kourhi, 11	Anthony Abraham,10
	T. J. Allen, 8	
	Robert Clarke, 12	
	J. S. Martin, 12	
	R. H. Martin, 12	
	W. C. McClurkin, 12	
	R. J. G. McKnight, 12	
	R. C. Wylie, 12	
	ROCHESTER	
Almonte	James McCune, 12	J. W. M. Hart, 12
York	W. J. Sanderson, 12	

Ministers present, 82; Elders, 60; Total 142. Congregations represented, 75.

MINISTERS ABSENT—R. C. Adams, R. C. Allen, I. A. Blackwood, R. A. Blair, P. P. Boyd, J. W. F. Carlisle, Paul Coleman, S. G. Conner, S. J. Crowe, J. W. Dill, C. A. Dodds, Samuel Edgar, D. B. Elsey, E. M. Elsey, F. M. Foster, H. G. Foster, R. Hargrave, S. B. Houston, A. A. Johnston, J. A. Kempf, A. Kilpatrick, S. F. Kingston, J. R. Latimer, J. C. Mitchel, W. J. McBurney, H. G. McConaughy, T. A. McElwain, Thomas McFall, William McFarland, J. S. McGaw, R. J. McIsaac, E. K. Patton, Thomas Patton, M. M. Pearce, J. L. Pinkerton, J. H. Pritchard, R. C. Reed, A. I. Robb, W. M. Robb, T. A. Rusk, A. A. Samson, B. M. Sharp, A. W. Smith, T. C. Sproull, J. S. Stewart, A. M. Thompson, S. R. Wallace, R. E. Willson, A. A. Wylie, J. Renwick Wylie, John Yates. Total, 51.

CONGREGATIONS NOT REPRESENTED—Adamsville and Middletown, Barnesville, Barnet, Brookland, Central Allegheny, Church Hill, Content, Cornwallis, Hetherton, Jonathan's Creek, Lake Reno, Lisbon, Little Beaver, Lochiel, Newburgh, North Union, Pine Creek, Ray, Regina, Selma, Slippery Rock, St. John, Tabor, Third New York, Union, Vernon, White Lake, Youngstown. Total, 28.

The Clerk of Colorado Presbytery reported the death of J. T. Wilson, May 30, 1919; the Clerk of Pittsburgh Presbytery that of W. P. Johnston, February 6, 1920; and the Clerk of New York Presbytery that of D. C. Faris, October 2, 1920, and that of R. M. Sommerville, February 3, 1920. The appointment of committees to prepare memorials on these deaths was referred to the Committee on Nominations.

Ohio Presbytery reported the ordination of R. S. Mc-

Elhinney of Cedarville congregation, and Kansas Presbytery that of Alvin W. Smith for the foreign field.

The following officers of Synod were chosen by acclamation:

Moderator - - -	A. J. McFarland
Clerk - - - - -	D. C. Mathews
Assistant Clerk - - -	E. A. Crooks

The Committee on Order of Business reported. It was resolved to hold a session of Synod on Saturday afternoon. The report was adopted as a whole and is as follows:

ORDER OF BUSINESS

The Committee on the Order of Business recommend that the hours of meeting be from 9:00 A. M. to 12:00 M., and from 2:00 to 5:00 P. M., and that the following order of exercises be adopted:

Thursday, June 3, 11:00 A. M., Sermon by the retiring Moderator; Constitution of the Court.

2:00 P. M. Completion of the roll; election of officers; report on the Order of Business; on Devotional Exercises; Synod's Board of Trustees; Board of Foreign Missions; Central Board.

7:45 P. M. Conference on Sabbath Schools.

Friday, 9:00 A. M. Reports on Jewish Mission, Church Erection, Board of Control, Sustentation, Superintendents of the Theological Seminary, Witness Committee, Temperance.

2:00 P. M. Reports—Women's Association, Reformed Presbyterian Members of the National Reform Executive Committee, Synod's Financial Agent for National Reform, Unfinished Business.

7:45 P. M. Conference on Foreign Missions.

Saturday, 9:00 A. M. Reports—Board of Corporators of Geneva College, Trustees of Geneva College, Mission Conference, Presbyteries.

2:00 P. M. Reports—Secretary of Young People's Work, Secret Societies, Co-ordinating Committee, Stated Clerk.

Sabbath, 3:00 P. M. Conference on the Forward Movement.

Monday, 9:00 A. M. Reports—Bible Reading Folders, Signs of the Times, Systematic Beneficence, Change of Oath, Forward Movement Secretary.

2:00 P. M. Reports—Committee on Discipline, National Reform, Traveling Fund, Special Committees.

7:45 P. M. Conference on Our College and Theological Seminary.

Tuesday, 9:00 A. M. Reports—Committee on Foreign Missions, on Home Missions.

2:00 P. M. Reports—Committee on Theological Seminary and Geneva College.

Wednesday, 9:00 A. M. Reports—Committee on Finance, Supplies, Records of Presbyteries, Foreign Correspondence, Miscellaneous

Respectfully submitted,
R. C. WYLIE,
W. J. COLEMAN,
G. A. EDGAR,
Of the Committee.

The report of the Committee on Devotional Exercises was submitted, adopted, and is as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON DEVOTIONAL EXERCISES
(For 1920 Synod)

Your committee recommends that the first half hour of each morning session, after roll-call, be spent devotionally.

Program

The thing desired: "Understanding of the times, to know what Israel ought to do." I Chr. 12:32.

How to attain it: "In everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God." Phi. 4:6.

Friday, June 4—Conditions; Political: 1. The world at large. 2. Our own country. Texts: I John 5:19, "The whole world lieth in the evil one." Eccl. 7:10, "Say not thou, what is the cause that the former days were better than these?" Leader, T. H. Acheson (alternate, P. J. McDonald).

Saturday, June 5—Conditions; Ecclesiastical: 1. The Church at large. 2. Our own church—congregations, ministers, members. Texts: Matt. 5:13-14, "Ye are the salt of the earth: but if the salt have lost its savor, wherewith shall it be salted?—Ye are the light of the world." Matt. 6:23, "If, therefore, the light that is in thee be darkness, how great is the darkness?" Leader, H. B. McMillan (alternate, H. G. Foster).

Monday, June 7—Our Young People. Text: Psalm 144:12-15, "When our sons shall be as plants grown up in their youth, our daughters as corner-stones hewn after the fashion of a palace—happy is the people that is in such a case." Leader, O. F. Thompson (alternate, M. K. Carson).

Tuesday, June 8—Witnessing; Extensive, Intensive. In broad sense covers all Christian activities—missions, reforms, evangelism. Text: Matt. 28:19-20, Make disciples of **all the nations**—teaching them to observe **all things** whatsoever I command you." Leader, J. M. Coleman (alternate, G. M. Robb).

Wednesday, June 9—Qualifications for **Effective** Witness: 1. To know the truth. 2. To testify to the truth. 3. To be a living testimonial to the truth as it is in Jesus. Texts: John 17:21, "As thou, Father, art in me, and I in thee, that they also may be in us: that the world may believe that thou didst send me." Acts 4:33, "With great power gave the apostles their witness of the resurrection of the Lord Jesus." Rom. 2:23-24, "Thou that gloriest in the law, through thy transgression of the law

dishonorest thou God? For the name of God is blasphemed among the Gentiles because of you." Leader, A. J. McFarland (alternate, J. M. Wylie).

C. A. DODDS,
W. McCARROLL,
J. K. GAULT,
E. M. McCONAUGHY,
W. J. ELLIOTT,
Committee.

Synod's Board of Trustees and Synod's Treasurer, J. S. Tibby, reported. These reports were referred to the Committee on Finance.

The Foreign Mission Board reported through its corresponding Secretary, F. M. Wilson. The report was referred to the Committee on Foreign Missions and Finance.

Presbyteries were granted leave to sit during the intervals of Synod.

J. K. Robb and D. B. Martin were chosen to act as precentors for this Synod.

The Jewish Mission Board report was read by J. C. McFeeters and was referred to the Committees on Home Missions and Finance.

The report on Unfinished Business was read and taken up item by item for adoption.

Item 27 was made the order of the day for 11:00 o'clock tomorrow, Friday.

Item 1. Attended to.

Item 2. Attended to with the exception of f.

Item 3. Report adopted and is as follows:

PRINTING AND CORRECTION OF THE 1919 MINUTES

The Clerk would report having published 1300 copies of the 1919 Minutes, as directed by Synod. The following corrections should be noted:

1. The names of Robert Davis, Selma, and of W. W. Twinam, Rehoboth, Iowa, should be transferred to the elders' column in the roll.
2. The caption, "China Mission, General Fund," should be transferred from the top of page 108 to near the bottom of page 104, just preceding the word "Receipts."
3. The report of the Committee on Permanent Order of Business, foot page 131, was not adopted, but laid over until next year and the Committee continued. The report should have been published as an appendix to the Minutes.

Respectfully submitted,
D. C. MATHEWS, Clerk.

The Stated Clerk was instructed to make corrections in the statistical table for Almonte congregation in the Minutes of 1918.

Item 4. Report adopted and is as follows:

PRINTING AND SALE OF 1919 MINUTES

Thirteen hundred copies of the Minutes of the 1919 Synod were printed by the Record Publishing Co., Greensburg, Pa.

1138 copies were sold at 25 cents a copy		$284.50
10 free copies were distributed.		
Cost of printing	$364.00	
Postage, expressage, etc	41.43	
		405.43
Deficit		$120.93

JAMES S. TIBBY, Treasurer.

Printing and postage $6.75.

Item 5. Attended to.

Item 6. Attended to.

Item 7. All present reported attended to.

Item 8. (a) Unable to attend.

(b) G. M. Robb and F. D. Frazer attended. They were instructed to send night letter to Council of Swedish Lutheran Church now in session. The appointment of a delegate to the Assembly of that church was referred to the Committee on Nominations.

(c) J. M. Wylie and J. D. Edgar attended and obtained hearing.

(d) Meeting postponed and appointment continued.

(e) H. G. Patterson, E. A. Crooks and D. C. Mathews reported attendance and very successful conference.

(f) D. H. Elliott reported attendance and brief hearing.

Item 9. Attended to without success.

Items 10, 11, 12, 13, and 14 attended to.

Item 15. Report was referred back to be printed. Synod adjourned to meet tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock, the Moderator leading in prayer.

FRIDAY FORENOON

Same Place, 9:00 o'clock.

Synod met according to adjournment, was called to order by the Moderator, and constituted with prayer by T. M. Slater.

The roll was called, the following not responding to their names: B. C. Terry, J. M. Wright, A. M. Allen, and H. B. McMillan.

The devotional service was conducted by T. H. Acheson.

The Minutes of yesterday's sessions were read and approved.

The retiring Moderator's sermon was requested for publication.

W. C. McClurkin and W. J. Sanderson were appointed fraternal delegates to the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of North America, meeting June 9, at Jamestown, New York.

The following papers were presented and referred:

1. Memorial from Wilkinsburg Session:—Referred to the Committee on Discipline.

2. Memorial from New Alexandria Session:—Referred to a special committee to be named by the Committee on Nominations.

3. E. K. Patton's resignations:—Referred to the Committees on Home Missions, and on Theological Seminary and Geneva College.

4. The report of the Board of Managers of the Aged Peoples' Home:—The report was read and is as follows:

TO THE MODERATOR AND MEMBERS OF THE REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN SYNOD MEETING AT GREELEY, COLORADO.

Dear Fathers and Brethren:

We are again called by the passing of another year, to consider the work undertaken and accomplished, the changes that have taken place, the assistance received, and the unmistakable evidences of the presence and blessing of Almighty God, with us in our Aged People's Home.

While the activities and anxieties incidental to the great

world war were not so much in evidence during this year as the years immediately preceding, the results were still quite apparent, particularly in the greatly increased cost of food and supplies. We recognize the goodness of God, in that he has not only blessed his people with a sufficient amount of the good things of life but He has moved them to be generous with their blessings to this branch of the work in His vineyard.

On the annual Reception and Donation Day more money and more provisions were given to the Home, than upon any previous occasion. In response to an appeal by Mr. Ren Martin, a great friend of the Home, a number of out-of-town friends have sent chickens at various times, so that the members are well supplied with eggs. He also invited Young People's Societies, living at quite a distance, to send pork products or the value of them in money. Quite a number responded and have greatly assisted in this trying time. Many friends visiting the Home bring fruit, vegetables and other donations with them, which are also acceptable gifts.

The year just closing, like the one just before it, has been notable for the many who have been called from this life to that beyond; yet we note that among so many who are far advanced in life, only one member of the Home, Mrs. Mary Halter, was called away.

Two persons have entered the Home during the year, Miss Rebecca Rambo, of Bellefontaine, Ohio, and Mr. Hodge Finley, of Cincinnati, Ohio.

Our list of life members has been increased by the addition of the following names:

Mrs. W. J. Armstrong
Miss Mary Allen
Mrs. W. C. Coleman
Miss Jane Boyd
Mrs. E. W. Morton
Mrs. Pearl Dunn by Mrs. M. E. McKee.

The Home has lost during the year one of its Life Members, as well as an earnest friend and liberal contributor, in the passing away of Mr. David S. Anderson.

Prayer meeting, as heretofore, has been conducted with unfailing regularity and interest under the care of Mr. L. C. McWilliams; the Students of Theology, and neighboring Covenanters taking an active part in the exercises.

Occasional preaching services were held at the Home, conducted by—

R. C. Reed
C. A. Dodds
R. C. Wylie
T. C. Sproull
Anthony Khouri
W. J. Coleman
Walter McClurkin
Walter McCarroll
B. M. Sharp,

several of them preaching more than once.

We express our appreciation to these ministers, students and neighbors as well as the physicians, who have so promptly and effectively answered the call for service during the past year.

No report of the year's work would do justice that did not make special note of the kindly and capable manner in which affairs at the Home are conducted by Miss Etta Jamison, our faithful matron.

We have great reason to thank God for the many blessings He has bestowed on us, and we begin another year trusting that He will continue to bless us, and that His presence will be with us at all times.

We respectfully request an appropriation of $2,500.00 for the work of the coming year.

Respectfully submitted,
MRS. THOS. H. MARTIN, Secretary.

The request for an appropriation was referred to the Co-ordinating Committee.

Paper 5. A communication from the Inter Church World Movement:—Read and referred with accompanying report to a special committee to be named by the Commitee on Nominations.

6. Two letters from the Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church in Ireland and a reply to the first by the Clerk of Synod:—Read and referred to the Committee on Foreign Correspondence.

7. The Minutes of the Commission in China:—Read and ordered engrossed on the Minutes of Synod.

Tak Hing S. China
January 20, 1920.

The Commission of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of South China was constituted with prayer by the Moderator. The following members were present: Ministers, A. I. Robb, J. A. Kempf, W. M. Robb, R. C. Adams and J. C. Mitchell; Elder E. J. M. Dickson.

The present officers were retained in office for the coming year. The committee appointed to consider the advisability of formulating additional rules to govern the receiving of applicants for church-membership reported and item five was adopted. Item six was taken up for reconsideration. It was amended and adopted.

On motion the moderators of the sessions of Tak Hing and Lo Ting congregations were instructed to bring the report before their sessions for consideration and approval and report to a later meeting.

The recommendation to print the rules and place in the hands of all seeking membership into the church was stricken from the report.

W. M. Robb was appointed to moderate the Lo Ting session.

The minutes of the meeting were read and adopted.

The Commission was adjourned with prayer by J. A. Kempf to meet at the call of the Moderator.

R. C. ADAMS, Moderator.
J. C. MITCHEL, Clerk.

Paper 8. The Minutes of the Commission in Syria:—Read and ordered engrossed on the Minutes of Synod.

MINUTES OF SYRIAN COMMISSION—1920

Latakia, March 9.

The Commission met at the call of the chairman, R. E. Willson, and was called to order by him. He then lead in prayer and constituted the court. Owing to the absence of the clerk, A. J. McFarland, the reading of the minutes was waived and S. Edgar was elected clerk pro-tem.

The program of business was then presented by J. S. Stewart and is as follows: Unfinished business. Trial sermons for ordination. Hanna Besna of Adana preaching on Tuesday evening. Mukhail Latoof preaching on Wednesday evening. Khaleel Awad licentiate, preaching on Thursday evening. Ordination sermon Friday evening. Friday afternoon examination of candidates and propounding of queries. Dr. Kennedy was appointed to preach the ordination sermon. **Program was accepted.**

Hanna Besna then preached a sermon on Heb. 11:24-26. The roll was then made up and is as follows: Ministers, J. S. Stewart and S. Edgar, of Latakia; R. E. Willson, of Mersine. Elders, J. M. Balph and John Peoples. There was no member present from Cyprus.

Election of officers was then taken up. R. E. Willson was unanimously elected to be his own successor as chairman for the ensuing year and S. Edgar was elected clerk. Rev. S. H. Kennedy and Rev. William Lytle of Alexandretta were present and made consultative members and given the privileges of the floor. The Commission was adjuorned with S. H. Kennedy leading in prayer. Court adjourned to meet Wednesday evening at 6:45.

Latakia, March 10—6:45 P. M.

Commission met and was called to order by the chairman. S. Edgar constituted with prayer. The order of the hour was then taken up and Mukhail Latoof preached a trial sermon from I Cor. 3:11. An item of unfinished business was then presented as follows: Meshail Midni had been taken under the care of the Commission as a student of Theology but had given up his work in Mersine. His name was ordered taken from the student roll. R. E. Willson then presented the name of Ibrahim Hanna to be taken under the Commissions care as student of theology. He is at present studying under R. E. Willson. He was taken under Commissions care. Commission adjourned to meet Thursday evening at 7:00 P. M., Dr. Balph leading in prayer.

March 11—7:00 P. M.

Commission met and was constituted with prayer by Dr. Stewart. The reading of the minutes and roll call were waived for the order of the day. Licentiate Khaleel Awad then preached a trial sermon from Eph. 3:15. The chairman then appointed J. S. Stewart to examine the candidates in Theology and S. H. Kennedy to conduct the examination in Personal Religion. S. H Kennedy to preach the ordination sermon; J. S. Stewart to lead in the ordination prayer and to address the newly ordained men. Commission was then adjourned with prayer by John Peoples. Court to meet Friday, March 12, at 3:00 P. M.

March 12—3:00 P. M.

The Commission met and was constituted with prayer by J. S. Stewart. Minutes were read and approved. Dr. Stewart then conducted the examination in Theology and S. H. Kennedy in Personal Religion. A review of the trial sermons was then made by the Commission. All agreed that the preaching was of a very high order and the examinations of a very satisfactory character. It was then voted that the examinations be sustained. Dr. Stewart then pronounced the queries and the candidates signed the Terms of Communion. Commission took a recess till 7:00 P. M., J. S. Stewart closing with prayer.

Same Place—7:00 P. M.

Commission met after recess and Dr. Stewart offered the opening prayer. S. H. Kennedy preached the ordination sermon from Deut. 33:3. J. S. Stewart related the steps already taken and lead in the ordination prayer. By the laying on of the hands the men Mukhail Latoof, Hanna Besna and Khaleel Awad were set apart to the ministry of the gospel as Evangelists. J. S. Stewart then delivered the charge to the ordained men. It was moved that when we adjourn we adjourn to meet in Mersine. Rev. Lytle adjourned with prayer. Adjourned to meet on Saturday at 7:30 P. M.

March 13.

Commission met at 7:30 and was constituted by the chairman, with prayer. Minutes were read, corrected and adopted. It was agreed by all that the following statement be inscribed in the minutes by way of explanation regarding the two men from the Tarsus field just now ordained.

Inasmuch as Mukhail Latoof of Tarsus and Hanna Besna of Adana have been preaching under the care and direction of the Mersine Mission since 1904, and have shown during this period their ability to expound the word of God, and to be men of high character and ever desirous for the extension of the kingdom the Commission counted them as practically licensed men and on this ground waived the technical formalities and ordained them to the ministry of the Gospel.

Commission adjourned to meet in Mersine at the call of the chairman, J. S. Stewart leading in prayer.

R. E. WILLSON, Chairman.
S. EDGAR, Clerk.

Paper 9. A communication from Synod's Board of Trustees recommending an increase of $500 in the salary of the Treasurer of the Board, James S. Tibby:—The increase was ordered by Synod.

10. The certificate of S. G. Shaw as the representative of the Alliance of the Reformed Churches Holding the Presbyterian System:—Dr. Shaw was heard on behalf of the Alliance.

The matter of representation in the Alliance was referred to a special committee to be named by the Committee on Nominations.

The Moderator announced the following committees:

REGULAR COMMITTEES APPOINTED BY THE MODERATOR

Nominations—W. J. Sanderson, R. J. Dodds, J. B. Gilmore, S. S. Smith, R. J. Cathcart.

Finance—Robert Clarke, John W. Pritchard, W. G. Robb, Robert Allen, R. M. Downie.

Home Missions—F. E. Allen, J. M. Wylie, E. L. McKnight, J. F. Caskey, John W. Anderson.

Foreign Missions—J. D. Edgar, H. G. Patterson, J. Boyd Tweed, S. J. Houston, J. R. Smith.

Discipline—S. J. Johnston, J. B. Willson, G. A. Edgar, J. Edward Huheey, R. I. Tomb.

National Reform—R. W. Piper, T. H. Acheson, E. G. Russell, Evan W. Jones, T. L. Faris.

Foreign Correspondence—G. N. Greer, F. F. Reade, John Coleman, W. A. McClelland, T. A. Henderson.

Time and Place of Meeting—W. A. Aikin, Melville K. Carson, J. T. McKelvey.

Theological Seminary and Geneva College—Walter McCarroll, George S. Coleman, T. C. McKnight, J. W. Carson, David Park.

Traveling Fund—R. M. Young and financial agents of the Presbyteries.

Supplies—W. J. Coleman, J. M. Rutherford, F. M. Wilson, J. S. Tibby, J. M. Edgar.

COMMITTEES ON PRESBYTERIAL RECORDS

Central Canada
J. K. Robb
J. M. Rutherford
Melville K. Carson
W. B. Hay
W. J. McMillan

Colorado
G. R. Steele
D. R. Taggart

Ohio
W. G. Robb
O. F. Thompson
Isaiah Faris
B. C. Terry
J. C. McCandless

Pacific Coast
W. A. Aikin
T. J. Allen

J. L. Wright
R. W. Redpath
James Henderson

Illinois
F. D. Frazer
J. M. Rutherford
W. T. K. Thompson
J. F. Wilson
J. H. Walkinshaw

Iowa
George R. McBurney
J. C. Slater
Elmer Stevenson
T. H. Wilson

Kansas
George S. Coleman
R. J. Dodds
J. M. Johnston
S. O. Carson
Robert Luney

New York
J. G. Reed
J. G. McElhinney
J. Ralston Wylie
J. W. M. Hart
A. M. Allen
James McCune
Alfred Graham
M. M. Stevenson

Philadelphia
G. M. Robb
W. O. Ferguson
Anthony Khouri
W. J. Crawford
B. M. Ferguson

Pittsburgh
M. S. McMillan
J. S. Thompson
P. J. McDonald
Wilson Duguid
J. M. Henning

Rochester
J. R. W. Stevenson
D. B. Martin
J. T. Mitchell
Anthony Abraham
J. A. Hemphill

The Central Board reported. The report was referred to the Committees on Home Missions and Finance.

Rev. W. P. Cremeans, pastor of the Presbyterian Church of Greeley, Dr. D. I. Coon of the Baptist Church of Greeley, and Dr. W. H. Bates, a retired Presbyterian minister of Greeley, were presented to the court and extended the courtesies of the floor.

Rev. Arthur T. Ragatz, Secretary of the Western Agency of the American Bible Society, was presented to the court and granted ten minutes in which to present the needs of that society.

The Board of Church Erection reported. The report was referred to the Committees on Finance and Nominations.

The Board of Sustentation reported. The report was adopted and is as follows:

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF SUSTENTATION

The Board has held one meeting this year. The receipts of the year were $599.57. We recommend that the money be credited to Domestic Mission Current Account to meet supplements paid out during the past year.

ROBERT PARK, Chairman.

The order of the day, Item 27 of the report on Unfinished Business, was taken up. The Committee on Commemorating and Renewing the Covenant submitted its report, which was taken up item by item for adoption. The report was approved as a whole, and is as follows:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON COVENANT MEMORIAL AND RENEWAL SERVICE

YOUR COMMITTEE presents the following report covering the various items referred to us by the Synod of 1919.

I. We were instructed to correspond with the Convener of the Covenant Renovation Committee of the Church in Ireland in response to a communication containing a proposal made by the Reformed Presbyterian Synod of Ireland that steps be taken to frame a covenant bond which might be entered into by the three Synods of Ireland, Scotland and North America. In accordance with this instruction a letter was sent to the Convener of the above-named Committee, but no answer has been received. It is inferred from this fact and from information in our possession that there is no likelihood that such a bond can at this time be prepared.

II. We were instructed "to carry on a campaign of education through the columns of the Christian Nation and through other means as the Committee may see fit." In pursuance of this instruction nine articles under the general title, "The Meaning of the Covenant," by nine different ministers, were published in the issue of the Christian Nation for April 28. While these articles were not intended to exhaust the full meaning of the Covenant it is believed that they presented most of the principles upon which chief stress should be laid at the present time. Mention should be here made of other helpful discussions not under the supervision of this Committee.

III. We were also "authorized to prepare additional statements which will set forth the obligations of the church in the light of God's providences." Whether Synod intended that these additional statements should become a part of the Covenant is not very clear. But since nothing can be added to the Covenant until it is overtured and ratified by Sessions or Presbyteries, and since the shortness of the time does not permit of this process, your committee has proceeded on the supposition that additions to the Covenant itself were not contemplated. The following statements have therefore been prepared and we suggest that they be read immediately after the reading of the Covenant in connection with the service to be held in 1921.

AS we contemplate the works of the Lord for the fifty years during which we have lived and labored under the American Covenant we are first of all profoundly impressed with our own failures, shortcomings, and transgressions, and with the abounding mercy of the Mediator who is still giving us a place in his plan for the advancement of His Kingdom. We recognize the obligation of the Covenant of 1871, and pledge ourselves also to the obligations involved in the statement herein set forth.

GRATEFUL acknowledgment should be made of the benefits that have accrued to the Reformed Presbyterian Church as a result of the act of Covenanting in 1871. For a score of years after that event the church had peace and was edified; and walking in the fear of the Lord, and in the comfort of the Holy Spirit, was multiplied. Elements of discord, however, in direct conflict with both the letter and the spirit of the Covenant, have led to defection, retarded numerical growth, and wrought against successful achievement in various departments of Christian activity. Because of such untoward events we should be profoundly sorrowful, and with deep humility and penitence pray that the God of Hosts would turn us again and cause His face to shine upon us that we may be saved from the disaster that is sure to follow unfaithfulness.

WE RECOGNIZE the hand of the reigning Mediator in the many steps of progress that have been taken in almost all lands in the propagation of Christian truth, and are grateful that we have had no insignificant part in this work. We rejoice in all wisely-directed efforts to secure co-operation among Christian people on the various lines of religious activity where such co-operation is possible. Doubtless the Spirit of God is moving among the various branches of the church and bringing them into closer unity, and by uniting those between which no material differences exist is greatly simplifying the problem by concentrating thought upon the material differences that divide a few of the most Biblical of the denominations. In the midst of the enthusiasm that often prevails in connection with movements for church union it must not be forgotten that the need is as great as ever for the proclamation of the full measure of truth as it is embodied in the glorious gospel of the blessed God. The coming of the Kingdom cannot be hastened by modifications of revealed truth so as to make it more readily acceptable by non-Christian peoples. Nor can the efficiency of the church be increased by ecclesiastical union brought about through compromise. There is a close practical connection between the problem of a pure gospel and the problem of the day of rest and worship for the promulgation of that gospel. Interest in true Sabbath observance is languishing. The day appointed for sacred rest is rapidly becoming a day of worldly pleasure. Statute laws are rapidly undergoing changes that operate against religion by promoting secular occupations and amusements. The strength of Christianty is now taxed to the uttermost in the effort to stem the tide of Sabbath desecration.

IN THE WORLD at large God has been working wondrously. Testimony in behalf of practical reforms has borne fruit in the overthrow of the liquor traffic in the United States, in the carrying of the temperance message to many other lands and in the rising hope that the entire world may soon be brought under the sway of prohibitory laws. But the time has not yet come for the temperance forces either to disband or to cease their activities, or in the smallest measure to diminish their vigilance, for we wrestle against satanic forces that do not readily admit defeat.

The great world war has furnished the greatest opportunity

the people of God have ever known for the proclamation of the Rulership of Christ over the nations. In so far as seemed possible we have availed ourselves of every opening for bringing to the attention of the rulers and peoples of the world the truth that the only way to permanent world-wide peace and national tranquility and prosperity is by submission to the sceptre of the Prince of Peace. By the defeat of the armies of the Central Empires of Europe God has administered a signal rebuke to the German theory of political sovereignty and to the policy of militarism which has threatened to dominate the world. But the nations are slow to learn the lesson. As understood by the great body of Christian people no truth was made more manifest by the war than the truth that God reigns in righteousness and that righteousness alone will exalt a nation. We had a right to expect, therefore, that when the representatives of the nations of the world met at Versailles to frame a treaty of peace including a Covenant of a League of Nations, some recognition of this fact would be given expression in that document. Their failure so to do is not due to any neglect on our part to lay before them the claims of the Divine Ruler. Evidently the leaders of the various nations of the world and the framers of their policies are not yet persuaded of the folly of breaking asunder the bands of Divine Law and of casting away the cords of Christ's authority. Defective religiously as the treaty of peace is, in its treatment of it the government of the United Sates has acted a most inglorious part. Forgetful of the distressed condition of the nations of Europe, oblivious to the sufferings of the Armenians at the hands of the Turks, casting aside all ideas of responsibility to use our tremendous God-given power for the relief of suffering humanity, the United States Senate has wrapped itself round with the garments of selfishness and false theories of national sovereignty, and thus made us a shameful spectacle in the eyes of God and of men. Had the two branches of the treaty-making power of the United States realized the grandeur of their opportunity in the providence of God, they would have confined themselves to the principal defects in the Treaty and the League of Nations. They would have condemned the provisions that robbed China of her national rights, and they would have insisted on a recognition of the world-wide authority of the Mediatorial King.

These facts are dwelt upon because of their superior importance and because they have a bearing upon our present covenant obligations. They serve to emphasize the importance of our position of political dissent, the necessity of laying stress upon it at the present time as a means of directing attention to fundamental defects in our frame of government, and the obligation to strive in every way consistent with our profession, both in our social, civil and ecclesiastical relations, for the accomplishment of the desired reformation. The existence of numerous organized forces antagonistic to the American conception of Christian civilization shows the necessity for ceaseless vigilance and tireless activity on the part of the forces of righteousness. Among these antagonistic forces may be mentioned Roman Catholicism which has not in the least modified its claims to rightful supremacy over the nations of the world; Mormonism which claims to be the only

true representative of God's kingdom on earth and to which all civil powers must submit; the Socialism and Communism which, based on an atheistic philosophy, would practically annihilate all true civil government; the American Secular Union and all similar organizations which by reason of their atheistic character would plunge the world into the abyss of anarchy.

WE GRATEFULLY ACKNOWLEDGE the evidences of a growing zeal, activity, and liberality in the promotion of the interests of Christ's Kingdom as indicated by the Forward Movement, and express the desire and hope that this movement may be blessed of the Lord for stirring up the entire church to a greater measure of loyalty to covenant obligations.

NOW UNTO HIM THAT IS ABLE TO KEEP US FROM STUMBLING, AND TO SET US BEFORE THE PRESENCE OF HIS GLORY WITHOUT BLEMISH IN EXCEEDING JOY, TO THE ONLY GOD OUR SAVIOUR, THROUGH JESUS CHRIST OUR LORD, BE GLORY, MAJESTY, DOMINION AND POWER, BEFORE ALL TIME, AND NOW, AND FOREVER MORE. AMEN.

IV. FINALLY, the Committee was instructed "to prepare a program for a memorial service, to be followed by a renewal of the Covenant of 1871." Your Commitee has not made much progress in carrying out this instruction. There is some diversity of view on this matter and further action on the part of Synod must be taken before such a program can be prepared.

Respectfully submitted,
R. C. WYLIE,
JOHN COLEMAN,
GEO. A. EDGAR,
T. S. TRUMBULL,
GEORGE A. McKEE,
Committee.

The Committee was instructed to prepare and submit to this Synod a program for the observance at the next Synod fo the Fiftieth Anniversary of the signing of the Covenant of 1871.

Synod took recess until 2:00 P. M., Elder S. S. Smith leading in prayer.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON

Same Place, 2:00 o'clock.

Synod reconvened at the appointed time and was led in prayer by Elder David Park.

The roll was called all responding to their names except H. B. McMillan.

The minutes of the morning session were read and approved.

The following telegram was ordered sent to Thomas Patton:

"The Synod would extend to you sincere sympathy in your time of suffering, and commend you to the care of Him who has said, 'I will never leave you.' 'My grace is sufficient for you. My strength is made perfect in weakness.'"

A. J. McFARLAND, Moderator.

The naming of members to write letters of sympathy to absent ministers and others was referred to the Committee on Nominations.

A statement from J. W. Pritchard as to the cost of publishing the Christian Nation with a request for a certain amount of paid adverising was referred to the Co-ordinating Committee.

T. H. Acheson, William Esler and John W. Anderson were added to the Committee on Commemorating the Covenant.

The Board of Superintendents of the Theological Seminary reported. The report was referred to the Committees on Finance and on Theological Seminary and Geneva College.

The Witness Committee reported. The report was taken up item by item for adoption. The request for appropriation was referred to the Co-ordinating Committee, and the filling of vacancies to the Committee on Nominations. A number spoke of the work done during the past year. The report was adopted as a whole and is as follows:

REPORT OF THE WITNESS COMMITTEE

To the Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church—

The Witness Committee would respectfully report:

The past year has been one of activity. Real progress has been made in the great task of bringing home to the consciences of the American people the sin involved in the failure of the nation to acknowledge the regal authority of the Prince of Peace. National conditions following the war have served, in the providence of God, to open up the way for our message and to give to it, wherever it has been delivered, a peculiar effectiveness. Socially our nation is at sea without chart or compass. In the field of industry clouds and thick darkness are hanging low. The unrest of society and the discontent of the people were never before so widespread or deep seated. The world war solved no moral problems. The nearest approach to moral gain was the victory of prohibition sentiment which had its roots in economics rather than in morality. And it is a question whether the gains

in this direction were not more than offset by the havoc wrought in the souls of enlisted men.

Faced by the stupendous national and international problems which the war has forced upon us our platitudinous politicians have gone down in dismal defeat. The grand promises of the League of Nations have become an irridescent dream. The race problem is unsolved. The labor problem is unsolved. The Bolshevist has been scotched—not killed. One war has given place to twenty-three wars. Ream upon ream of precious print paper is being ruined forever by the Congressional presses. If talk were money Washington could pay off all the national debts thirty times a month. There is plenty of talk but nothing is being done. And what is more the people know that nothing is being done. Indeed they are beginning to believe that nothing will be done until there is a basic change.

The most encouraging sign of the times is the discontent of the people with what they have. In a time of general discontent men are willing to listen to any remedial measures that may be proposed. This is the complexion of the times that confront us No period in the history of organized society has been so pro pitious for the proclamation of the doctrine of the Kingship of Christ. It is not to be concluded that all the discontended are willing to accept the truth but the more thoughtful Christians of America are fast approaching the conviction that there is no other name given among men whereby we must be saved.

The Covenanter Church must lead the way. Our duty is to instruct, to proclaim, to plead with men to acknowledge the royal authority of the Lord Jesus Christ. We have the truth for the hour. If we proclaim it we shall both save ourselves and them that hear. If we fail to proclaim it the Covenanter Church must yield her place and surrender her commission to a worthier ambassador. According to its wisdom and ability your Committee has made a faithful effort to perform the work which Synod has commissioned it to do. We invite your attention to a resume of the work of the past year.

The Workers.

Professor J. M. Coleman and the Rev. W. C. McClurkin devoted their whole time since last Synod to the work of Witnessing. Two laymen, Mr. R. J. Huey of the Sterling congregation and Mr. J. R. Dill of Second Philadelphia, have been employed part time in interviewing ministers in the interests of the Christian Amendment. In addition to these, many pastors in the Church have given largely of their time and energy in a personal canvass of their communities and in presenting the cause before church courts and other religious assemblies. Notable service was rendered in this way by Revs. J. M. Wylie, J. G. McElhinney, W. J. McKnight, Frank D. Frazer, T. M. Slater, George S. Coleman, Paul Coleman, H. G. Patterson, S. J. Johnston, E. L. McKnight, John K. Gault.

Professor Coleman's work in the Colleges and Seminaries, we believe, is exceedingly important. There is nothing spectacular about this kind of effort. The general public is not delirious about what goes on in the class-rooms or in the chapels

of our Colleges or even of our Seminaries, but it is in the classrooms of a land that the public opinion of the next decade is moulded. Try as we will to abolish class distinctions the thinking class will always rule. It is of vital importance that the thinking of the student shall be right. Mr. Coleman is peculiarly adapted by experience for this task and his success is evidenced by his repeated visits to the Colleges on his list.

Mr. McClurkin has specialized in interviewing men who are hard to approach and in presenting the Christian Amendment before religious assemblies. In both of these lines he has been an unqualified success. He is persistent. He camps on the trail. He gets a hearing. And more than nine times out of ten he wins a friend for the Amendment.

Mr. Dill and Mr. Huey have rendered faithful service as is evidenced by the stream of signed petitions that flows from the sections where they have worked.

An outstanding and encouraging incident of the year was the endorsement, by the National Convention of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, representing five hundred thousand members, of the following resolution:

> "The National Woman's Christian Temperance Union commends the effort to have embodied in the preamble of the Federal Constitution a recognition of the authority of Jesus Christ as the King of Nations."

The adoption of this resolution is the fruit of the labor of Mrs Harriet S. Pritchard of Monclair, N. J., who gave her whole time to the accomplishment of this result during the days of the Convention, and entirely without expense to the Witness Committee. If the interest of this great organization can be centered in the Christian Amendment the prospect for its adoption will be much brighter. The only way to stop a woman is to give her what she wants.

Miss Callie M. Morton is our efficient secretary, giving her whole time to the work in the office. She has a special aptitude for this position and is able to interest the young people of the church in our projects. Her acquaintance throughout the church contributes a personal touch to her work. We feel that she has rendered herself indispensable.

The November Drive

This is the designation that was given to concerted effort throughout the church to bring the Christian Amendment to the attention of every pastor in the United States. A large majority of the congregations entered heartily into this work and the pastors marshalled the forces of the young people to help in the sending out of literature. The country was districted by states according to the location of Presbyteries and by counties for the congregations. One hundred and twenty thousand blank petitions accompanied by appropriate leaflets were sent out. Manifestly the task was beyond our powers. From the outset we knew that we would not be able to reach every pastor. But we set that as the goal and worked toward it and when the results were tabulated we were amazed to find how much can be accomplished in

the field outside the church, we are convinced that the drive was worth all it cost, both in effort and in money, in the effect it had upon our own people.

This drive gave the young people of the church something to do. It challenged their abilities. It gave them something definite to accomplish. It brought them into closer sympathy with the ideals of the church. We are indebted to them for all the help they gave. But the drive did more than this. From every state in the Union cards were received from pastors commending the efforts and pledging their support. We estimate that 55,000 pastors in America received literature on the Christian Amendment together with a direct appeal to preach on it and to present it to their congregations for adoption.

Literature

Changing conditions and issues demand new literature. Tracts, to interest the man on the street, or elsewhere, must be prepared to meet present day problems. They must have at least a breath of modernity. Literary excellence must sometimes be sacrificed for the sake of pungency. We do not maintain that the recent literature of the Committee is better than the old; we do maintain that it is more in demand. We ourselves prefer the Willsonian or the Sloanesque brand of literature. We esteem John Owen most highly but, while we lament, we must admit that his voluminous works cannot be reckoned among the six best sellers. We have the heavy ammunition in reserve; we shoot it when we think the game is worth the powder. For the general movie-drugged public, however, we use the flobert. Our aim is to inocculate rather than annihilate.

Sending our literature broadcast as we do it will of necessity reach thousands to whom the whole subject is absolutely new. Political dissent means nothing to the man who has been suckled for forty years by the Democratic party. It is a wise Baptist that can define Erastian tolerations. The twentieth century public needs a First Reader for any subject that cannot be mastered in a street-car ride. It needs a wooden alphabet and pictures for Covenanter principles. But it needs these very principles. Consequently we must have patience in the nursery.

We have taken these and other facts into consideration while preparing our literature. The most recent publications in tract form are the following:

Answers to Objections to the Proposed Christian Amendment.

What is the Matter with Our Country?

Will We Elect to Perish?

We are convinced of the value of the Poster. The difficulty is to find suitable copy from which to prepare them. It is quite possible to epitomize a great truth and portray it in a sentence that will stick. Moreover a good poster will sell for at least the cost of printing and mailing. We have repeat orders on our best posters. Samples of the Committee's present stock are on exhibition in another part of the building. We recommend them for bulletin boards and school rooms. With a good poster a bulletin board can be made to work while you sleep.

The Covenant has been printed in a handy and we believe, attractive form. Orders for the edition are coming in steadily.

While we have concentrated our efforts upon spreading the doctrine of the Kingship of Christ we have by no means lost sight of the other great distinctive doctrines of the Covenanter Church. Thousands of tracts on Secretism, Psalmody and Instrumental Music in Worship have been sent out. Your Committee has undertaken to ascertain the best tracts written from the Bible point of view against the multitudinous "isms" that are taking the souls of men by guile. We do not undertake to supply these tracts but to inform inquirers where they can be obtained.

Advertising

By this we mean paid advertising in the religious press. The November drive brought home to us as never before the magnitude of the task we have in hand. If we were to assign one laborer for each state it would deplete our supply of pastors. And even if we could spare forty-eight ministers for field work it would take them years to cover the territory once. It is out of the question to bring this subject to the American people in any large way by word of mouth. Two hundred men would not suffice for this multitude. We must employ the printed page. Beginning with November advertisements were placed in the various religious journals of the country. The following papers have carried our message in a prominent advertisement:

New Era Magazine, Herald and Presbyter, Christian Intelligencer, Reformed Church Messenger, Christian Leader, United Presbyterian, Presbyterian Banner, Pittsburgh Christian Advocate, Union Signal, Little Folks, Presbyterian of the South, Methodist Recorder, Pacific Christian Advocate and the Christian Advocate.

Some of these have been used but once; others have been used at least once a month since November. In our judgment the cost of these advertisements would be justified by the results if only the advertisement appeared. But we get more than that. The paid advertisement opens up the way for the Committee to publish articles in the same paper without cost. An editor loves a liberal advertiser. He just cannot help it. And if an advertiser wants a favor he gets it. We estimate that we can reach by advertising and by contributed articles in the same mediums, about one million readers a month, at a cost of about $400 a month. It will require a vast amount of work to keep the advertisements up to date and to prepare editorials and articles for the various periodicals but, in our judgment, in this way alone can we hope to mould a public sentiment favorable to the Christian Amendment within the present decade.

The receipts for the year were $10,009.67 and the expenditures amounted to $14,669.48. The balance in the treasury on May 1st was $331.51.

The Future

The possibilities of the work are almost limitless. The need for it is imperative. We cannot conceive of a better time to enlarge our efforts to Christianize America than the present meet-

ing of Synod when we are looking forward to the celebration of the fiftieth anniversary of the signing of the Covenant that binds us to "pray and labor for the peace and welfare of our country and for its reformation by a constitutional recognition of God as the source of all power, of the Lord Jesus Christ as the Ruler of Nations and of the Holy Scriptures as the supreme rule."

The time for which W. J. Coleman and Oliver Wylie were elected has expired and their successors should be chosen.

Recommendations

We recommend:

1. That the Rev. J. M. Coleman be appointed to the same work as in former years.
2. That the Committee be empowered to employ additional laborers as the work may require.
3. That twenty thousand ($20,000) dollars be appropriated to carry on the work for the coming year.
4. That the Rev. E. L. McKnight be added to the Committee.

The Committee on Temperance reported. The filling of vacancies on the Committee was referred to the Committee on Nominations. The report was adopted as a whole and is as follows:

REPORT OF PERMANENT COMMITTEE ON TEMPERANCE

During the past year, a persistent effort has been made to nullify the Eighteenth Amendment to the United States Constitution.

The fight has largely centered around the question of how much alcohol would be allowed in the drink that is manufactured and sold.

Yet the "wets" are perfectly willing and anxious to throw the whole amendment overboard if that is possible.

This question will almost certainly enter into the coming political conventions and will probably cause a great deal of discussion.

The people demanded the protection of this Amendment and the politicians were compelled to grant it, but this did not make them like prohibition any better and as they feel the pinch of the dry laws they look back with regret at the vanishing wine pots and the slavery of Egypt.

The results of Prohibition, insofar as it has gone, have been above the expectation of its friends. The number of arrests have fallen. Homes are better protected. Clothing stores are having a better trade, even when the prices are much higher. Groceries of a better grade are in demand; and men spend much more time in the homes.

The efforts of some individuals to create and propagate a substitute for the saloon, seems to have accomplished little except to demonstrate their own officiousness. The men and women

who frequented the saloon seem to have decided that the home is a fairly good substitute for the saloon; especially when the home gets a chance to develop without the presence of the saloon.

Prohibition has been firmly fixed in the Constitution and that seems to be strong evidence that it will not be changed; yet there are many ways in which the laws enforcing prohibition may be weakened and almost entirely nullified; and we may expect a reaction and the interest in the whole matter to slacken. Nothing will suit the minions of evil better than for the friends of temperance to pronounce the battle won and sit down with folded hands to enjoy a well-earned rest.

Your Committee have been working for years along the line of education and we see no reason to change from this valuable line of work.

We aim to meet the propaganda, that men can freely violate the Eighteenth Amendment to the United States Constitution, by emphasizing the fact that obedience to law is an essential element in patriotism.

When men say that prohibition makes law breakers we proclaim that Prohibition does not make law breakers—it simply reveals them.

By putting these in the school houses we not only keep the truth before the children, but every meeting of any character in the school house brings them before the public.

We have fourteen different posters which we send to the schools.

The same method has been used against tobacco. The increase of the use of the cigarette which took place during the war, has continued, and the number manufactured and sold is growing at a stratling rate.

The number that are rolled by the users can only be roughly estimated.

The respectability that has been given to the use of tobacco is a very grave addition to the danger.

We are told that large numbers of women and girls are taking up the smoking of cigarettes, and thus another menace is added to the use of tobacco.

Where will the mothers of the next fifty years be found if this goes on. The race is on trial for its life, and every habit-forming drug is an attack on the citadel of life.

So far as we could reach the public schools in six states, we furnished them the posters for their walls.

Those selected by the County Superintendents, were largely against the use of tobacco.

The work was hindered to some extent by the lack of paper, on which to print the posters; and the price of paper made the supplies cost more than in former years. The work was carried on for only six months of the year; Miss Esther Dill of Sterling, Kansas, having charge of the mailing room.

The limit of the work was the lack of money.

We would like to push the work for eight months in the year, and with the vigor that its importance warrants.

One State Superintendent offered to distribute a large number of posters if we would furnish them to her.

Why did we not fill the State?

To print and deliver at the State Capitol the number she asked, would require more money, than we have had in the past two years.

We believe this is a most effective way to reach the youth, and present the truth in an effective way; and we will use all the money you may place in our hands in pushing this campaign.

The term for which W. W. Carithers and T. G. Graham were appointed has expired and their successors should be chosen.

W. W. CARITHERS, Chairman.

The Board of Control submitted its annual report. The appropriate items were referred to the Committees on Finance and Nominations. The report was adopted and is as follows:

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF CONTROL

The Board of Control would respectfully report:

Since the last meeting of Synod your Board has held one regular and four special meetings. At the regular meeting held October 14, 1919, at the home of O. L. Samson, Washington, Ia., the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, A. F. Reid; Secretary, E. L. McKnight; Assistant Secretary, H. G. Patterson.

The Treasurer's statement showed the following amounts to be at the disposal of the Board:

Aged Ministers' Fund	$3,467.42
Widows' and Orphans' Fund	1,440.12
Students Aid Fund	2,388.26

Twenty-one applications for aid came before the Board; four from Students of Theology, eight from Aged Ministers and nine from Widows and Orphans. After careful consideration of all these applications, appropriations were made to all these applicants, in varying sums, the totals aggregating from the

Students Aid Fund	$1,590.00
Aged Ministers' Fund	3,300.00
Widows' and Orphans' Fund	1,725.00

The matters referred to your Board at your last meeting, bearing on a new plan for the administration of the funds for Aged Ministers and Widows and Orphans of deceased ministers and the formulation of a plan for the creation and control of a fund for giving assistance to worthy young men and women who desire to enter college or training school looking toward Christian work at home or abroad, will be brought before Synod in special reports under items of Unfinished Business.

The Board requests Synod to change the rules of the Board

relative to the specified time for our regular meeting from the second Tuesday in November to the second Tuesday in October, and that the time of the regular meeting be printed in the Minutes of Synod.

In view of the possibility of this change, the Board has named the second Tuesday in October as the time for our next regular meeting. E. L. McKnight was appointed to represent the Board on Synod's Co-ordinating Committee.

The time for which E. L. McKnight and W. J. Marshall were elected has expired and their successors should be elected at this meeting of Synod. R. J. Allen has retired from the active eldership and his successor should be chosen. The name of S. E. Greer should be dropped from the membership of the Board as he has removed from the bounds of the Board. W. C. Allen's name should appear in the Minutes of Synod as one of the two whose terms of office expire in 1921. The Board would suggest that W. J. Marshall be chosen his own successor.

The Board asks from the church during the coming year, for the Students' Aid Fund, $2,000.00; for Widows' and Orphans' Fund, $2,500.00, and for Aged Ministers a varying sum according as Synod may or may not adopt the Insurance proposition for Aged Ministers, recommended by the Board—$9,000.00 if the plan is adopted, $2,000.00 if it is not adopted.

Respectfully submitted in behalf of the Board,

E. L. McKNIGHT, Secretary.

The report of the Treasurer of the Women's Association was submitted and referred to the Committee on Finance.

The Covenanter Members of the Executive Committee of the National Reform Association reported. The report was referred to the Committee on National Reform.

The report of Synod's Financial Agent for National Reform was read and also referred to the Committee on National Reform.

The report on Unfinished Business was taken from the table.

Item 16. Attended to.

17. Laid on the table.

18 and 19. Attended to.

20. The Commission reported as follows:

REPORT OF COMMISSION CONCERNING THE OFFICE OF GENERAL SECRETARY OF THE FORWARD MOVEMENT

To the Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America:

Dear Fathers and Brethren:

Your Commission appointed "to act on any vacancy which

may occur in the office of General Secretary, and on all matters of salary and expenses" would respectfully report that we have discharged the duty assigned to us. Four meetings were held. A. A. Samson declined the Secretaryship. D. H. Elliott was elected to the office, and accepted the appointment. The salary was fixed and expenses arranged for. The minutes of the Commission are herewith submitted.

J. B. WILLSON, Moderator.

The report was approved and the minutes of the Commission ordered engrossed on the Minutes of Synod.

Pittsburgh, Penna.
June 16, 1919, 4:30 P. M.

The Commission appointed by Synod to determine the salary of the Secretary of the Forward and Co-ordination Movement, and other financial matters connected with his work, met at the call of the Moderator, in the office of Synod's Treasurer, J. S. Tibby. The Commission was called to order by the Moderator, J. B. Willson, and constituted with prayer by him. E. A. Crooks was elected clerk. The following members were present: R. C. Wylie, W. J. Coleman, R. C. Reed, J. B. Willson, Robert Park, J. C. Slater, R. H. Martin, S. G. Conner, A. C. Coulter, J. S. Tibby and E. A. Crooks.

The salary of A. A. Samson, as secretary, was fixed at three thousand ($3,000.00) dollars and expenses, salary to begin when work is begun. A thousand ($1,000.00) dollars was allowed for office expenses and clerk hire, and five hundred ($500.00) dollars for advertising, printing, postage, etc. The salary was directed to be pro-rated on the schemes of the church.

A. A. Samson, the secretary-elect, was present and conferred with the Commission as to certain details of the work. He gave assurance of his decision as to the acceptance of the secretaryship within two weeks, and that, if he accepted, he would begin the work the first of September. It was decided, in case of Mr. Samson's acceptance that the headquarters of the work should be in New York City for the present.

The Commission adjourned to meet at the call of the Moderator, A. C. Coulter leading in prayer.

J. B. WILLSON, Moderator.
E. A. CROOKS, Clerk.

Pittsburgh, Penna.
July 7, 1919, 2:00 P. M.

ing to the Secretaryship of the Forward Movement met in the office of Synod's Treasurer on the above date and was called to order by the Moderator and constituted with prayer by R. C. Wylie.

The Commission of Synod appointed to act on matters relat-

The following members were present: R. C. Wylie, J. B. Willson, R. J. G. McKnight, S. G. Conner, A. C. Coulter, R. C. Reed, Robert Park, T. H. Acheson, J. S. Tibby, James A. McAteer and E. A. Crooks.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. The Moderator announced that A. A. Samson had declined the secretaryship of the Forward Movement. The election of a man to fill the vacancy was taken under consideration. The Commission engaged in a season of prayer seeking Divine direction in the selection of a man. J. S. Tibby was appointed teller. D. H. Elliott was chosen by ballot and the election was made unanimous.

The salary of the secretaryship was fixed at twenty-five hundred ($2,500.00) dollars and expenses, salary to be paid monthly. It was decided that the office should be located in Pittsburgh. The clerk was directed to notify Mr. Elliott of his election by night letter. The Commission adjourned to meet at the call of the Moderator, James A. McAteer leading in prayer.

J. B. WILLSON, Moderator.
E. A. CROOKS, Clerk.

MINUTES OF COMMISSION

Treasurer's Office, Pittsburgh, July 25, 1919.

Commission met on call of the Moderator, and at his request was constituted with prayer by Rev. S. G. Conner.

Members present were: Revs. W. J. Coleman, S. G. Conner, E. K. Patton, R. C. Reed, and J. B. Willson, and Elders J. S. Tibby and A. C. Coulter.

Members absent, Revs. T. H. Acheson, E. A. Crooks, R. H. Martin, R. J. G. McKnight, Robert Park, J. C. Slater, and R. C. Wylie and Elder James A McAteer.

The Moderator said that he had letters from Revs. T. H. Acheson and R. H| Martin notifying him that their absence from the city would prevent their attending this meeting of the Commission.

The Clerk not being present, the reading of the minutes of July 7th meeting was postponed till our next meeting. A. C. Coulter was appointed Clerk pro tem.

The Moderator presented a letter from Rev. D. H. Elliott dated July 19, 1919, in reply to the notice of his appointment to the Secretaryship of the Church's Forward Movement Work, in which he says that "Conditions seem well nigh insurmountable for the Pittsburgh center. If change can be made, at least for the present, to Topeka, he will give the position favorable consideration. Otherwise the way is not clear to accept on the basis outlined by the Commission. Also a telegram dated July 24, 1919, (in reply to a telegram from the Moderator), in which he says, "I shall accept if wise to make Topeka the center indefinitely. If Pittsburgh is regarded essential, I will consider on a basis which will meet added costs, and be equivalent to present support. Otherwise please accept this as my declination."

The Moderator stated that this meeting was called to consider the question raised in Mr. Elliott's letter and telegram. After an informal discussion the action of the Commission at its last meeting, fixing the office of the Secretary in Pittsburgh, Pa., was rescinded. Topeka, Kansas, was chosen as the center from

which the work of the Secretary shall be conducted.

The Moderator was requested to say to Mr. Elliott, when notifying him of the action of this meeting, that it is the judgment of the Commission that it will not be necessary to have a downtown office in Topeka. Mr. Elliott was authorized to draw on the Treasurer for all expenses incurred in connection with his secretarial work.

Minutes of this meeting were read, corrected and approved. Adjourned with prayer by J. S. Tibby to meet on call of the Moderator.

J. B. WILLSON, Moderator.
A. C. COULTER, Clerk pro tem.

Pittsburgh, Pa., Sept. 15, 1919.
Office of Synod's Treasurer, 4:30 P. M.

Synod's Commission met at the call of the Moderator, was called to order by him and constituted, R. H. Martin leading in prayer. The following members were present: Ministers, R. H. Martin, Robert Park, S. G. Conner, R. C. Wylie, R. J. G. McKnight, W. J. Coleman, J. C. Slater, J. B. Willson, E. K. Patton and E. A. Crooks, with Elder A. C. Coulter.

The minutes of the meeting of July 7, 1919, were read and approved. The minutes of the meeting of July 25th, 1919, were read. The proceedings of that meeting were approved, this action being taken because there was not a quorum present at that meeting.

The Secretary of the Forward Movement, D. H. Elliott, was present and gave the Commission an outline of his work as he is developing it. Mr. Elliott was authorized to employ such clerical help as he finds necessary until such time as he is prepared to nominate a permanent secretary.

The minutes were read and approved. The Commission adjourned, R. C. Reed leading in prayer.

J. B. WILLSON, Moderator.
E. A. CROOKS, Clerk.

The expense of A. A. Samson in meeting the Commission of Synod in Pittsburgh was referred to Synod's Treasurer for payment.

Synod adjourned to meet tomorrow morning at 9:00 o'clock, Charles T. Carson leading in prayer.

SATURDAY FORENOON

Same Place, 9:00 o'clock.

Synod met according to adjournment, was called to order by the Moderator, and constituted with prayer by R. C. Montgomery.

The roll was called, all responding to their names except William Wenkhous and S. W. McLean.

Devotional Exercises were conducted by H. B. McMillan.

The minutes of the previous session were read and approved.

T. J. Allen was granted optional attendance for the afternoon.

The Committee on Nominations was instructed to name a committee to convey to Mrs. Samuel Edgar the sympathy of Synod.

Item 8 of the report on Securing Settlement of Pastors in Vacant Congregations, Minutes 1919, page 32, was rescinded, and provision made for the appointment of committees on Supplies in Synod and Presbyteries.

The report of the Committee on Foreign Missions was made the order of the day after the noon recess on Monday.

The Committee on Discipline was instructed to define what is meant by "the innocent party" who is allowed to remarry, mentioned in Chapter 28, section 7, of the Reformed Presbyterian Testimony.

J. S. Tibby on behalf of the Eighth Street Pittsburgh congregation extended a cordial invitation to the Synod to meet in that church in 1921. The invitation was accepted.

G. B. White, an elder in the Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church of Chester, South Carolina, was presented to the court and spoke of his interest in the church and of the cemetery at Chester in which many of our Covenanter ancestors are buried.

An expense of $8 incurred by Mr. White in the care of the cemetery was ordered paid by Synod's Treasurer.

The Board of Corporators of Geneva College reported. The report was referred to the Committee on Theological Seminary and Geneva College.

The Board of Trustees of Geneva College reported. The report was referred to the Committee on Theological Seminary and Geneva College.

Four o'clock was fixed as the hour for adjournment of the afternoon session.

Synod took recess until 2:00 o'clock, Elder Robert McKnight offering prayer.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON

Same Place, 2:00 P. M.

Synod reconvened, was called to order by the Moderator, and opened with prayer by Elder J. R. Dill.

The roll was called, all responding to their names except H. B. McMillan and A. M. Allen.

It was resolved that hereafter the pastor and elder of the congregation where Synod meets be exempted from payment of deficit in the traveling fund.

The Committee on Nominations was instructed to name committees to prepare memorials for the ministers who have died during the year.

The following resolution, proposed by J. D. Edgar, was adopted:

That a Home Mission Secretary be appointed in connection with the Forward Movement to do the work of a Home Mission Secretary and also that of Secretary of Young Peoples Work, and that this resolution be referred to the Committee on Home Missions.

Item 15 of the report on Unfinished Business was taken up. The report submitted by the Board of Control relative to provision for Aged Ministers was laid on the table.

An expense of $1.60 incurred in printing the report of the Board of Control was ordered paid by Synod's Treasurer, and the thanks of Synod extended to those who helped with the work.

The Treasurer was instructed to pay 82 cents, the cost of sending Synod's telegram to Thomas Patton; also $1.70 for printing programs for conference on Sabbath Schools.

Memorials from Sterling Session and Kansas Presbytery were referred to the Committee on Discipline.

The report of the Mission Conference was read and

taken up item by item for adoption. The appropriations recommended by the Conference were referred to the Committee on Finance. Item 1.—Referred to the Co-ordinating Committee. Item 3.—Approved and referred to the Committee on Home Missions. All other items were adopted. The report as a whole was laid on the table for the present.

The Clerk of Synod was granted $100 for his work in publishing the Minutes.

The expenses of D. H. Elliott as fraternal delegate to the United Presbyterian General Assembly, $4.90, was ordered paid by Synod's Treasurer.

Presbyteries submitted their reports. Central Canada, Colorado, Illinois, Iowa, Kansas, New York, Ohio, Pacific Coast, Philadelphia, Pittsburgh and Rochester reported. All were referred to the Committee on Supplies, with the additional reference of the report of Pittsburgh Presbytery to the Committee on Home Missions, and that of New York Presbytery to the Board of Control.

REPORTS OF PRESBYTERIES

Central Canada

The Presbytery of Central Canada would respectfully report:

We have not been able to hold any regular meeting of Presbytery during the past year. This is due to the large area over which our congregations are scattered and the fewness of our ministers. There have been meetings of commissions, however, during the year through which the work of the Presbytery has been carried on.

J. C. French and H. G. McConaughy were transferred to Ohio Presbytery, Mr. French on December 15th, and Mr. McConaughy on November 20th, 1919.

There are four congregations under our care. One of these has a pastor. The others have had ministerial leadership part of the time through supplies. The Presbytery appointed stated supplies in the vacant congregations according to the action of last Synod. Robert G. Graham was appointed to Content; S. G. Shaw to Regina, and S. B. Houston to Glenwood.

There are two ministers on our roll, one of whom is pastor and one has been engaged in secular work. The time of D. B. Elsey is at the disposal of Synod.

We request the time of two men as supplies.

Our Statistical report was forwarded to the Stated Clerk.

Our traveling fund is full.

S. R. McKELVEY, Clerk.

REPORT OF COLORADO PRESBYTERY

One regular meeting of Presbytery has been held during the

Synodical year just ended. This meeting was held at the same date and place of the meeting of the Woman's Presbyterial, this arrangement proving to be one of mutual interest and helpfulness to the Presbytery and Presbyterial.

Our Presbytery consists of three congregations, the same as last year, and with the same settled pastors. Denver congregation, following its recent every-member canvass, decided to be self-supporting, this making all our congregations now self-supporting.

In addition to the regular work of the congregations, an encouraging response has been made to the call of the Witness Committee for work for the Christian Amendment, and the appeals of the Forward Movement Secretary.

There are eight ministers on our roll, three of whom are the pastors of our congregations.

A. I. Robb and J. K. Robb are missionaries in China, the latter on a visit home. Samuel Edgar is the missionary in Syria, stationed in Latakia; H. B. McMillan is a missionary-secretary of the American S. S. Union.

J. T. Wilson was removed by death May 30, 1919, the record of this removal failing to be made at last Synod because of its occurring immediately preceding the date of Synod.

The full time of Wilbur J. McBurney is at the disposal of Synod.

S. E. Greer is at present the Committee on Supplies.

Our statistical report was forwarded to the Stated Clerk.

Our traveling fund is paid in full.

J. B. GILMORE, Clerk of Presbytery.

REPORT OF ILLINOIS PRESBYTERY

Illinois Presbytery respectfully reports:

One regular meeting and three called meetings were held during the year, also three meetings of the ad interim commission. Seven congregations are under our care. Princeton and Church Hill are without settled pastors. Nine ministers are on our roll. Five ministers are settled pastors. G. M. Robb was received from Kansas Presbytery, June 5, 1920. M. S. McMillan was certified to Kansas Presbytery June 4, 1920. G. A. Edgar, by appointment of the Central Board, continues to superintend the work of the Southern Mission at Selma, Alabama. The time of J. M. Coleman is devoted to the Witness Committee. W. M. Robb is missionary in Tak Hing, West River, South China. Licentiate R. S. McElhinney was certified to Ohio Presbytery November, 1919. We recommend that Church Hill be allowed to supply its own pulpit. W. O. Ferguson is the representative of the Illinois Presbytery to consult with the Forward Movement Secretary. J. M. Coleman is a member of the Board of Corporators of Geneva College. Owen F. Thompson was appointed delegate to the Mission Conference. W. O. Ferguson is chairman of the Committee on Supplies. Our statistical report was forwarded to the Stated Clerk in due time.

Our traveling fund is paid in full.

Respectfully submitted,

MELVILLE K. CARSON, Clerk of Presbytery.

REPORT OF IOWA PRESBYTERY

Iowa Presbytery would respectfully report:

One regular meeting was held during the year. Our Interim Commission has held four meetings.

There are seven congregations under our care, five of which are under pastoral oversight and two, Sharon and Vernon, are without pastors. We have nine ministers enrolled. Five are pastors, two are supplying vacant congregations, one is engaged in National Reform work and one, Thomas Patton, is incapacitated through serious illness.

E. L. McKnight was released from the pastorate of Sharon congregation March 8, 1920, and was certified to the Pittsburgh Presbytery on the same date.

S. R. Wallace was released from the pastorate of the Vernon congregation June 4, 1920.

Mr. David Edgar, a student of Theology of the first year, was certified to Pittsburgh Presbytery April 19, 1920.

The full time of S. R. Wallace and S. B. Houston are at the disposal of Synod.

Our statistical report was duly forwarded to Synod's Stated Clerk.

Synod's traveling fund is paid in full.

(Signed) W. G. ROBB,
Clerk of Presbytery.

REPORT OF KANSAS PRESBYTERY

Kansas Presbytery would respectfully report:

We have had one regular and three special meetings during the year. Our interim commission has held twelve meetings.

There are seventeen congregations and three mission stations under our care. The Irving Place Mission is under the care of Topeka Session; Minneola is under the care of Stafford session, and Lieb under the leadership of J. Ralston Wylie.

All congregations have pastors except Quinter, Denison, Eskridge and Billings. M. S. McMillan has accepted the call from Clarinda, and arrangements are being made for his installation. W. W. Carithers is stated supply at Cache Creek. We have twenty-four ministers enrolled. Eight are pastors, one pastor-elect, one a missionary in the Levant, two missionaries in China, one a missionary to Cyprus, one a stated supply, one in secular work, eight in the work of supplying vacant congregations and one secretary of the Forward Movement.

On July 10, 1919, A. W. Smith was ordained to the gospel ministry for work in Cyprus. On June 4, 1920, J. M. Rutherford was released from the pastorate of Billings congregation, also on the same date W. A. Aikin was released from the pastorate of Eskridge congregation and G. M. Robb, on June 5, 1920, was released from the pastorate of Quinter congregation and was certified to Illinois Presbytery. On January 21, 1920, S. J. Johnston was released from the pastorate of Clarinda congregation

and on the same date was certified to Philadelphia Presbytery. D. H. Elliott was released from Winchester congregation August 21, 1919. E. K. Patton was received from Pittsburgh Presbytery January 31, 1920, and was installed at Winchester on the same date.

E. G. Russell was released from the pastorate of Denison congregation on May 7, 1920, and was installed at Superior June 1, and at Beulah June 2, 1920.

The full time of J. W. Dill, Isaiah Faris, George R. McBurney, A. M. Thompson, J. Ralston Wylie, W. M. McNeel, J. M. Rutherford and W. A. Aikin is at the disposal of Synod.

Our statistical report was forwarded in due time. Our traveling fund is paid in full. D. R. Taggart is chairman of the Committee of supplies and also W. A. Aikin is financial agent of Presbytery.

J. G. McElhinny is a member of the Board of Incorporators of Geneva College.

Respectfully submitted,

J. M. RUTHERFORD, Clerk of Presbytery.

REPORT OF NEW YORK PRESBYTERY

New York Presbytery respectfully reports two regular meetings and one pro-re-nata meeting during the year, also two meetings of the commission of Presbytery. The Presbytery has fourteen congregations under its care all of which have pastors except Barnet, Bovina, Montclair, Second New York and West Hebron.

At the request of T. E. Graham, who declared his intention of uniting with the United Presbyterian Church, his pastoral relationship with Bovina congregation was dissolved with prayer by F. M. Foster at the meeting of Presbytery in Walton, September 28, 1919. At a meeting of the commission of New York Presbytery in New York City, December 22, 1919, A. A. Samson was released from the pastorate of Second New York congregation.

On February 2, 1920, the commission of New York Presbytery met in New York City and sustained the call from Barnet congregation on G. M. Robb, and transferred the call to Kansas Presbytery. On May 5, 1920, F. M. Foster moderated a call for Second New York congregation which resulted in the election of Walter McCarroll.

During the year two faithful members of Presbytery have been removed by death: D. C. Faris on October 2, 1919, and R. M. Sommerville, on February 3, 1920. Both of these men served long in the Presbytery and will be greatly missed.

Presbytery recommended Mrs. D. C. Faris to the Board of Control for participation in the fund for widows and orphans of deceased ministers. Presbytery asks for three and one-half time laborers. The full time of S. G. Shaw is at the disposal of Synod. The Clerk of Presbytery, Boyd A. White, is the chairman of the committee of supplies. The Presbytery's share of the Synod's traveling fund has been paid in full.

Respectfully submitted,

BOYD A. WHITE, Clerk of Presbytery.

REPORT OF OHIO PRESBYTERY

The Ohio Presbytery would respectfully report:

One regular meeting of the Presbytery was held during the year and five meetings of the Ad Interim Commission.

There are eleven congregations and one mission station in the Presbytery. We have ten ministers on our roll, one of whom is engaged in mission work. The certificates of the following ministers were received and their names added to the roll: Rev. J. C. French from Central Canada, January 15, 1920; Rev. H. G. McConaughy from Central Canada, November 27, 1919; Rev. R. S. McElhinney from the Illinois Presbytery, December 31, 1919. The resignation of the Rev. John Coleman was received, accepted and he was transferred to the Pittsburgh Presbytery.

The congregations of New Concord and White Cottage have expressed a willingness and are making an effort to unite under one pastor.

Our statistical report has been forwarded and our traveling fund has been paid in full. R. W. Piper is chairman of the Committee on Supplies.

J. C. FRENCH, Clerk.

REPORT OF PACIFIC COAST PRESBYTERY

Pacific Coast Presbytery respectfully reports:

One regular meeting was held during the past year.

Five ministers are on our roll, each being the pastor of one of the five congregations within our bounds.

W. M. McNeel has labored in the Fresno field since November 1, 1919.

Three of our congregations hitherto receiving aid—Hemet, Santa Ana and Portland—are now self-supporting.

We request the time of one laborer for the ensuing year.

F. D. Frazer is chairman of committee on supplies.

Our statistical report has been forwarded to the Stated Clerk.

Our quota to Synod's traveling fund is paid in full.

Respectfully submitted,

F. D. FRAZER, Clerk.

REPORT OF PHILADELPHIA PRESBYTERY

The Philadelphia Presbytery would respectfully report:

Two regular and four special meetings have been held during the year. Our three congregations have settled pastors. M. M. Pearce continues as Associate Editor in the American Sunday School Union. On March 5, 1920, S. J. Johnston was received by certificate from Kansas Presbytery and on the same date installed pastor of our First Church.

Our Mission in Orlando, Florida, a promising mission field, has asked to be organized into a congregation. This petition has been granted and steps will soon be taken to effect this organization.

Our statistical report was duly forwarded to Synod's Stated Clerk.

The special drive of our Witness Committee in behalf of the Christian Amendment was placed in the hands of a Presbyterial Committee. Much work along this line has already been done, especially by Elder J. R. Dill, and more will be undertaken.

S. J. JOHNSTON, Clerk.

REPORT OF PITTSBURGH PRESBYTERY

Pittsburgh Presbytery would respectfully report:

Since our last report we have held two regular and two called meetings and one informal meeting. The Commission on Calls has held seven meetings.

We have twenty-five congregations. Nineteen have settled pastors and two stated supplies. One pastor has a double charge, and another serves a second congregation as stated supply. Thirty-nine ministers and four licentiates are on our roll. Three students of theology are under our care. Adamsville-Middletown, Bear Run-Mahoning, North Union and Youngstown congregations are vacant.

We record the death of William Pollock Johnston on February 6, 1920.

The "Syrian congregation of the Reformed Presbyterian Church" was organized November 21, 1919, at the Pittsburgh Syrian Mission.

E. L. McKnight was received from Iowa Presbytery March 26, 1920, and installed pastor of the East End congregation April 9, 1920. Three students of theology were received and taken under our care, J. W. Dodds from Pacific Coast Presbytery June 6, 1919; F. L. Stewart from Ohio Presbytery October 28, 1919, and David M. Edgar from Iowa Presbytery May 11, 1920. Josiah Willson Dodds and Frank Lee Stewart were licensed to preach the Gospel at the meeting in the Geneva church, May 11, 1920.

J. M. Johnston was installed pastor of the Connellsville congregation November 24, 1919.

S. B. Houston was certified to Iowa Presbytery June 6, 1919. E. K. Patton was released from the pastorate of the East End congregation October 28, 1919, and certified to Kansas Presbytery January 14, 1920, having accepted the call to the Winchester congregation.

Memorials from the New Alexandria session concerning petitioning Congress for a law to prohibit the publication and sale of "Sunday newspapers" and from the Wilkinsburg session regarding granting certificates to members who have failed to contribute to the work of a congregation were ordered transferred to Synod.

Because the whole church is interested in the work among the Syrians in Pittsburgh and because of the increasing expense of carrying on the work, Presbytery asks Synod to take charge of the Syrian congregation, to assume financial responsibility for it, and to place it under the care of the Central Board of Missions.

The full time of R. C. Allen, T. J. Allen, W. C. McClurkin, T. A. McElwain, R. J. McIsaac, B. M. Sharp and Robert G. Graham

is at the disposal of Synod; also the time of Licentiate Frank L. Stewart during the summer months.

Brookland congregation does not ask for aid this year.

Our statistical report was forwarded to the Stated Clerk. Our traveling fund is paid in full. J. B. Tweed is our representative to co-operate with the Secretary of the Forward Movement.

Respectfully submitted,

J. B. WILLSON, Clerk.

ROCHESTER PRESBYTERY

Rochester Presbytery would respectfully report:

We have held one regular meeting and one special meeting during the year.

We have five congregations under our care, all of which have settled pastors, except Lisbon.

We have five ministers on our roll. William McFarland is Stated Supply at Lisbon for six months.

The time of William McFarland from November 1st to May 1st is at the disposal of Synod.

Our statistical report has been forwarded to the Stated Clerk.

Our quota to Synod's traveling fund is paid in full.

A. A. WYLIE, Clerk.

The Committee on Nominations made a partial report which was amended and adopted.

Synod adjourned to meet Monday morning at 9:00 o'clock, J. M. Coleman leading in prayer.

MONDAY FORENOON

Greeley, Colorado, June 7, 1920.

Synod met pursuant to adjournment, was called to order by the Moderator, and constituted with prayer by R. W. Piper.

The roll was called, all responding to their names except Robert Allen, F. D. Frazer, Alfred Graham, Edward McBurney, G. G. McLaury, J. W. Pritchard, and T. H. Wilson.

Devotional exercises were conducted by O. F. Thompson.

The minutes of the Saturday P. M. session were read and approved.

The Moderator announced the following Standing Committees:

STANDING COMMITTEES

Devotional Exercises
Boyd A. White
J. B. Gilmore
W. M. McNeel
O. S. Grove
J. C. Elder

Psalmody
S. E. Greer
J. M. Coleman
Charles T. Carson
William Esler
W. J. McMillan

Signs of the Times
J. C. McFeeters
R. C. Wylie
H. B. McMillan
J. R. Dill
A. M. Allen

Sabbath Schools
John Coleman
F. F. Reade
A. A. Samson
J. W. Pritchard
W. S. Elliott

F. M. Wilson was granted leave of absence from the remaining sessions of Synod after that of the afternoon.

It was resolved to appoint fraternal delegates to the Synod of the Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church. The naming of the delegates was referred to the Committee on Nominations.

The Secretary of Young Peoples Work reported. The report was taken up item by item for adoption. Item 4 was referred to the Co-ordinating Committee. The report was adopted as a whole and is as follows:

REPORT OF SECRETARY OF YOUNG PEOPLE

At the time of our report last year, some of our Young People's Societies were re-adjusting themselves from the effects of

the war. At this time they have settled down to steady work. In general, this has been a good year in the Young People's work. Several societies and one convention which lapsed during the war are reorganized. One new society was organized.

Conventions were held during the past year at Seattle, Denver, Clarinda, Princeton, Cincinnati, Rose Point and Walton. The convention at Seattle was combined with a convocation and the convention at Clarinda was a joint one of the young people of Kansas and Iowa Presbyteries. An excellent spirit was manifested at all these conventions. The entire work of the church was emphasized.

Special mention should be made of two conventions. First, the one held at Clarinda, Ia., was the second joint convention of Kansas and Iowa Presbyteries. It was remarkable for its enthusiasm and leadership. The president of the Iowa convention was J. French Carithers. His death occurred as he began preparations for the convention. His death left the burden of the work on Alvin W. Smith, president of Kansas Presbyterial.

The comprehensiveness of the program was outstanding. Almost every phase of the church's work was emphasized which had to do with our Young People. The catechism contest in which fourteen contestants made a perfect score in asking and answering questions—the spirit of prayer and the well organized recreational program under the leadership of Rev. Paul Coleman, and the convention Tithers League started, in which whole delegations signed themselves one hundred per cent strong, are features both encouraging and interesting.

The Rose Point convention is also worthy of special notice. The program was extended to one week, making Bible Study a special feature. The recreational side of the program was enlarged. These young people abode in tents to their delight. While it was held out of the bounds of a Covenanter congregation this method and plan proved successful in reviving interest among the Young People of Pittsburgh Presbytery. The plan is being followed again this year and is being considered by officers of two other conventions. Your secretary visited conventions at Seattle, Denver, Clarinda and Cincinnati. The work in all was found to be in good condition, and in all was found a spirit of expectancy due to the Forward Movement of the Church. A spirit of devotion to Christ and the Covenanter Church was largely found; a desire to follow wherever Synod should lead in service. A desire was expressed at each of these for a Synodical of the C. Y. P. U. in 1921.

The number of those offering themselves for special service will come in the report of the Forward Movement, hence there will be no duplication here. Suffice to say the year has been a gratifying one.

Pastors are desired—earnestly—to encourage their young people to attend—to go with them—to show an active interest in the work of the young people—but to remember that it is not a meeting of Presbytery. I wish to express the appreciation of the officers of Presbyterials, to the ministers of the church who so willingly responded to the appeal to address conventions. There

will be perhaps greater need along this line as the years go by.

Emphasis is being placed this year upon preparation for the Covenant Memorial Service for next year, and convention officers have been requested to give the Covenant a place in their programs. Societies are also being encouraged to this by special Young People's topics which are provided in the 1920 Topic Card.

The French Carithers Memorial Fund has received in pledges almost the amount for which the young people were striving. Of this amount we have received in Liberty Bonds $3,200, and in cash $7,498.81, making a total of $10,698.81.

Copies of the C. Y. P. U. Pledge have been furnished as required. Most societies now have wall copies and every society has been furnished with pocket size. Any of these will be mailed promptly to any society desiring them. During the past year a topic card has been put out for Young People's Societies. Seventeen hundred and twenty-five copies were sent out and orders for nearly a thousand more were received which we could not fill as the demand far exceeded our expectation.

The topics of the United Society of Christian Endeavor have been used except those for Christmas and Easter and the topics for the first Sabbath of each month beginning the first Sabbath of March and ending with the first Sabbath of October, these latter being adapted to the study of our Covenant. The topic cards have been well received and have reduced the cost to participating societies by fifty per cent. It will be a permanent feature of the department.

A study of our Covenant prepared by F. D. Frazer is being mailed to societies as requested, for the study of our Covenant in our societies and conventions. This study is an admirable one. The demand so far has not been great. Orders are beginning to come in more rapidly the past month. We trust the failure to order these does not indicate a lack of interest in Covenant Renewal next year. It is adapted to old as well as young and all orders will be filled. The cost is five cents each.

After four years of experimenting a standard of efficiency for all societies has been evolved. Heretofore each convention has had its own. They have been made gradually to conform and are so unified that we venture to present one for adoption at each convention this year. It is as follows:

Standard of Efficiency

1. 50 prayer meetings 10%
2. 10 business meetings 10%
3. 10 socials 10%
4. 85% adhering to the tithe principle 10%
5. A number giving their whole time to definite Christian work of the Covenanter Church, equivalent to 10% of the Society 10%
6. 50% taking part in each meeting aside from singing 10%
7. One, won to Christ and the Covenanter Church for each ten members 10%
8. Essential Committees—

Prayer meeting—Lookout—Reform—Social—Sunshine—Missionary 10%

9. 20% of members at annual conventions 10%
10. Special Study on Church History, Doctrine, Missions or Personal Work 10%

The Department has cost the church this year $144.35. We desire $250.00 for the Department for the coming year.

We recommend the following:

1. That Synod approve the effort to secure the study of the Covenant in every society.
2. That Synod approve a Young Peoples Synodical as soon as preparation can be made for it.
3. That Synod approve the C. Y. P. U. topic card.
4. That Synod appropriate $250 for the Young Peoples Department for the coming year.

Respectfully submitted,

J. D. EDGAR, Secretary.

The report on Secret Societies was submitted and taken up item by item for adoption. The report was adopted as a whole and is as follows:

REPORT ON SECRET SOCIETIES

The secret society is an institution of ancient renown. Some think they flourished before the flood. Antediluvian conditions in the days of Noah, if not in the time of Enoch, were certainly not unfavorable for their development.

Modern secret societies are proud to trace their origin to those most ancient; though it is strange that, in the light of history, they should be so. The ancient mysteries are certainly unequivocally condemned in Scripture. Their abominations are graphically described in Ezekiel, chapter 8. In Ephesians fifth, their sacrament is called the table of devils. In I Corinthians tenth, Christians are warned to have no fellowship with them. In Revelation, second chapter, the city to which the Babylonian mysteries had been removed is described as the place of Satan's seat. John 18:20 shows that the life of Christ was a strong condemnation of the principle of secrecy.

Secrecy is the very essence of heathen religions; it has a prominent place in Mohammedanism, and probably in every false religion. It never formed a part of revealed religion, and wherever it has been countenanced in connection with it, it has led to apostasy.

Among modern secret societies are Mormonism; the hierarchy of the papal church, with its brood of minor secret societies; as Jesuitry, Sinn Fein, Knights of Columbus and others, all subservient to its will. They are all characterized by craft, deceit, cruelty, a hatred of free speech, a free press, an open Bible and public education. They are intensely disloyal to all just government. Though they may camouflage their true character,

they remain in heart unchanged. Like the leopard they cannot change their spots.

There is also a large class of secret societies not affiliated with Rome; some of which profess to exist for worthy and commendable objects. The principle of secrecy, however, vitiates the best of them.

Because we cannot mention them all we take Freemasonry as their representative. It is generally so taken, and we think fairly. That it is fair is apparent from the fact that membership in any of them involves an approval of the fundamental principle of Masonry; it is a step towards Masonry; and tends to make men tolerant of Masonry. They are so related to Freemasonry that if it should go down under public condemnation, they would all likewise perish.

There is a logical connection between it and those even that seem the most remote. Mormonism, for instance, abounds in internal evidence of having been organized by Freemasons. And the highest Masonic authorities admit that Speculative Masonry owes its existence as an independent organization to the clergy of the Roman Catholic Church; especially the Jesuits; so that it has been called English Jesuitry.

It was formed on the model of the Roman Empire. This accounts for its character and its titles. Also for its union of civil and ecclesiastical functions. It was designed to be subservient to the papal hierarchy; but Providence had decreed otherwise. Hence the mutual hatred.

Its traditions are fabricated. They are both absurd and blasphemous. While it is frequently affirmed that no one who has not been initiated into its mysteries can really know anything of Freemasonry our sources of information are various and reliable.

They claim that the ancient mysteries were the very antecedent self of Masonry, and we know, from both sacred and profane history, what they were. Then we hear their popular lectures; see their public demonstrations; hear the statements of converted men, whom love of Christ has constrained to abandon the Lodge; read their own standard works; and last, but not least, we have access to professed exposures of Masonry, to the reliability of which the Lodge itself has set its bloody seal.

Among the things we learn about it from these various sources is that it IS a religion, or HAS a religion. That it is derived from heathenism; that it exalts its law and authority as paramount to that of the state, God's ordinance; that it prostitutes the oath, approves murder, conceals crime, represents virtue as crime and crime as virtue, making the law of God of no effect through its tradition.

Some deceive themselves into thinking it's terrible oaths are only, like the bear skin caps of grenadiers, intended to give it a fierce aspect out of keeping with its true character; but alas a score of authenticated Masonic executions bar the way to this conclusion. They force us to believe it's bark is not worse than its bite. Here we see Pritchard's body lie in a London street, Masonically mutilated, after his publication of "Jachin and Boaz."

There we hear the cry of William Miller, "My wife, my children," as he is strangled and beaten to death, and his heart, still warm with life, torn from his breast in a Masonic Lodge in Belfast, merely because he had made the admission that "Jachin and Boaz" was true; to which fact his murderers still more loudly testified in the very act of taking his life. Then the atrocities in connection with the abduction and murder of William Morgan of Batavia, New York, are still fresh in the minds of us all.

Among human institutions it is an anomaly; because, while it is clearly not a divine institution, its refusal to respectfully yield obedience to the state, amounts to a refusal to be classed as an artificial organization. If, however, it be neither divine nor human in origin, and even shows itself hostile to those institutions which we know to be divine, there remains but one category in which it can possibly be placed. Rather than enter into contention with the Lodge we will concede its claim; that it is neither human nor divine; and say, "Hail thou child of the devil!" This theory seems to clear up a number of difficulties. It explains the character of Masonry. It explains why the principle of secrecy deteriorates every society that adopts it. It makes clear the inconsistency of professed Christians identifying with secret societies.

Yet Freemasons complacently compare their secrecy with the privacy of a family or the prudence of a business firm, and curtly tell us that it is nothing unusual to request a man to attend to his own business. But suppose a family were to resort to murder to maintain this privacy, how long would it be till the state would step in and make the affairs of that family its business? Would it be deterred by a request to mind its own business?

All intelligent men concede that a secret society is an agency well adapted to the accomplishment of bad purposes. The Father of his country was, while alive, regarded by his fellow Masons as very lukewarm to the Lodge. By some he was classed as a seceding Mason. It is evident, from his public utterances, that the reason for his attitude towards the Lodge was due to his conviction that in it lay grave possibilities for evil. He saw that it could become a serious menace to the public weal.

Were all professing disciples of Christ as loyal to their Lord as George Washington was to his country, we would be spared the humiliating spectacle of seeing persons who profess to know him who is the true light, that lighteth every man coming into the world, permitting themselves to be led like blind men to the door of a Christless lodge, professing to seek for light, a sight, one would think, to make angels weep.

It becomes more and more evident to every observing mind that the principle of secrecy is a potent factor in producing the present world-wide trouble and distress. But the future is bright for the church. He who holds the seven stars in his right hand and walks in the midst of the golden lamp-stand foretold the conditions through which we are passing; the long struggle between light and darkness. But in the same connection he vouchsafed the promise that in the evening time there should be light, not a sunset glow that casts a passing glory over land and sea,

but the light of the morning of that glorious day that shall never wear to night. It is near. The doom of secrecy is sealed. We according to his promise look for a new heaven and a new earth wherein dwelleth righteousness.

So, encouraged by the divine promises, we recommend: FIRST, That we reaffirm our uncompromising opposition to secret societies.

SECOND. That we admonish all persons in influential positions to use their influence to the full against these pernicious organizations.

THIRD. That we respectfully suggest to the authorities of Geneva College the advisability of:

1. Having frequent anti-secret lectures in that institution.
2. Keeping the library and reading room well supplied with anti-secret literature.
3. Making an effort to secure the offer of a prize to be awarded every year for the best anti-secret essay.
4. Being careful not to bestow any honorary title or degree, especially the honored title of Doctor of Divinity, on any member of any secret society; particularly on any Freemason.

FOURTH. That we recommend the National Christian Association and their organ, the Christian Cynosure, to the liberality of our people.

FIFTH. That we urge our people to pray more earnestly for the overthrow of the secret system with its selfish fraternities and for the universal diffusion of gospel light: that men throughout the world "May brothers be for a' that."

Respectfully submitted,

R. J. DODDS,
BOYD A. WHITE,
CHARLES T. CARSON,
W. J. MARSHALL.

The report on Unfinished Business was taken from the table.

Item 21. The War Service Commission reported. The report was adopted and is as follows:

REPORT OF WAR SERVICE COMMISSION

The War Service Commission offers the following as its final report:

The Commission met in the Pittsburgh Reformed Presbyterian Church on Monday, April 19, 1920, and considered the question of issuing a catalogue or handbook, containing a brief historical paragraph concerning each one of our young people who had been in military service of any kind during the recent war. A questionnaire had been sent out over the church, but it had been answered by fewer than one-half of our congregations. Also Mr. J. W. Pritchard's book, "Soldiers of the Church," covers to

some extent the same field which the proposed hand-book would have occupied. In view of these, and other facts, and the need of economy in the use of the church's funds, it was decided not to proceed with the issuance of a hand-book, but to recommend that the balance in the treasury be appropriated by Synod as follows: $300 to the Domestic Mission fund; $300 to the Southern Mission; and the remainder to Geneva College.

In making this final report the Commission desires to put on record its high appreciation of our young people, women as well as men, who readily responded in the hour of our country's need and of the world's need. We urge the church to keep lovingly and gratefully in mind those who gave their lives in the struggle for world freedom; and to plan broadly for the others, that as good soldiers of Jesus Christ they may do much to conquer the world for him.

T. H. ACHESON,
R. C. REED,
R. A. M. STEELE,
T. H. MARTIN.

Item 22. The Committee made a verbal report and was continued.

Item 23. The Committee on Digest reported. The report was adopted and is as follows:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE TO PREPARE A DIGEST OF THE DELIVERANCES OF SYNOD

The Committee appointed to prepare a Digest of the Deliverances of Synod reports that the work has been distributed among the three members of the committee and a beginning has been made. It will require at least another year to complete the work.

Respectfully submitted,
R. C. WYLIE,
R. J. G. McKNIGHT,
J. B. WILLSON,
Committee.

The Committee was continued.

Item 24. A verbal report was made. The Committee was continued and directed to prepare a synopsis of its report for publication in the Minutes. The following was submitted:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE TO VISIT WASHINGTON IN THE INTEREST OF AN ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF CHRIST IN THE LEAGUE OF NATIONS

Two members of this committee, T. H. Acheson and F. M. Wilson, went to Washington last June. At the suggestion of Senator Knox a statement of what we wanted was prepared and sent into the Senate Committee in charge of the Peace Treaty. Effort was made to secure a hearing before this committee, but

without success. Interesting interviews were secured with a number of Senators in their private offices, and the nature of our mission was presented to them.

After our return home the chairman of the committee, with the help of the Witness Committee, sent a copy of the prepared statement to every member of the Unitd States Senate; and there is reason to believe that the discussion which afterwards arose on the floor of the Senate, concerning the recognition of Christ in the Treaty, is to be attributed in some degree to the efforts of your Committee to bring this important matter to the attention of Senators.

T. H. ACHESON,
F. M. WILSON.

Item 25. The Committee on Publishing Psalters reported. The report was adopted, the thanks of Synod extended to the Committee for its work, and the Committee continued.

The report is as follows:

The Committee appointed to publish the new edition of the Book of Psalms has completed its work. Two thousand copies have been published and are on sale at Greeley, Colorado, Pittsburgh and Philadelphia.

On the advice of printers and binders and after consulting with several of our members, the additional tunes to be put in the old books were not printed.

Dr. S. A. S. Metheny found it impossible to assist in this work and the committee was reorganized and the second member of the Committee was elected to lead in this work.

Inasmuch as the Synod of 1919 has ordered the changes made and this edition printed the Committee suggest that, as far as possible, the new tunes be used in the meetings of Synod.

D. BRUCE MARTIN, Chairman.

Item 26. The report was adopted and is as follows:

THE ECONOMIC IDEAL OF THE WORD OF GOD

This is God's world. He made it for his glory and when sin would destroy it He redeemed it in His love.

In his infinite wisdom he gave to men his Word, as a letter of instructions, telling how the world of men and things was made and how it should be run by those to whom he committed the stewardship of power. But while the authority of this Word has been confessed in the home and in the church, his supremacy has been denied in the empire of politics and business, where is entrenched the kingdom of this world.

And from his strategic position in politics and in business, Satan is continually organizing his attack upon the home and the church to subdue them to his will.

In the midst of the economic revolution, in which the present industrial order is being re-adjusted through the coming into power of the men with calloused hands, it is fitting that we should turn to the instructions God has given for the management of

this world and see what he has written for our guidance on the way.

While we may not find the details of the program to be followed, nevertheless the Bible furnishes the economic principles, whose serious application would engender peace among the partners in production and would promote the highest interests of the individual, the church and the commonwealth.

The economic creed of the Old Testament may be summed up in the proverb, "Give me neither poverty nor riches * * * lest I be full and deny thee * * * or lest I be poor and steal." This argues alike against an aristocracy of wealth and against a disinherited class as alike hostile to the interests of the church and would make all except a middle class impossible in the economic order. It is this middle class from which the Covenanter Church has been recruited and the same is mainly true of all churches, so that the economic program of the Bible would give the church the best conditions for its work. In the early Jewish economy, agriculture was the chief industrial occupation, and for that reason, the laws in regard to land, furnish the main source for our conclusion in regard to the economic teachings of the age. Moses had an advantage, possible to few lawmakers, of having his code in force before the occupation of the land, instead of having to compromise with evils which had been sanctioned by immemorial usage. By the land legislation, the soil was to be divided equitably among the families of the nation, for the family and not the individual was the unit in the Hebrew system. Thus each family received a homestead in the apportionment and it was entailed in the family so that it could never be legally alienated. This program recognized the danger of a homeless, landless class, that has no interest in preserving the existing order, but who might even expect to profit in its overthrow.

To guard against the loss of the family stake through the improvidence of any of its members, provision was made for the cancellation of all debts against person or property in the year of Jubilee. At any time between the Jubilee years, debts might be contracted; individuals might even be sold into slavery, but the next Jubilee year annulled all such contracts. In that joyful year all Jewish citizens must be freed and all indebted estates returned without encumbrance.

Another section of the law which was calculated to preserve a middle class was the method of taxation. All taxes were to be levied on the income of land, which economically is a tax on rent, a provision which made land speculation impossible. The application of these laws left no place for the idle rich or the idle poor. Each man was at the same time capitalist and laborer, employer and employee.

What the spiritual effect of this legislation might have been on the life of the Jewish people is matter for conjecture, since in the time of the prophets, and probably much earlier, men were joining field to field and destroying the homesteads of the Mosaic plan. So that before the time of Christ the homeless beggars lined the public roads, while the rich had the title deed of the disinherited.

Jesus made no avowed attempt to restore the constructive plans of Moses, but since he came to fulfill the law, we may expect to find that his teachings had the same general purpose as the economics of Sinai. This is evident from the emphasis that he placed on the Old Testament views on poverty and riches, seeking to relieve one and to correct the other.

While there are many inferences that may be fairly drawn from the parables of our Lord, his central economic teaching, the economic concept which may be taken to include all others, is that of stewardship. Nor is the conception of stewardship limited to our duty to God. It includes as well our duty to men. Jesus does not recognize the absolute ownership by men of any form of wealth. That is an idea that has come down to us through the pre-Christian forms of Roman law and has no support in the divine law. Jesus recognizes not ownership, which rests only in God, but only possession.

In the parables of the pounds and the talents and elsewhere, he plainly states what place stewardship holds in his view of property duties and also shows that where the law of stewardship is not recognized even possession lapses. Those who failed to regard their holdings as good stewards, had even the use taken from them. That was the teachings of Wycliffe which caused the nobles to burn his body, but they could not destroy the economic law of God. He said that no one should monopolize land which they did not use. "Take the unused talent from him" was the sentence of the Lord.

Disregarding the obligations of stewardship means the robbery of God and man, a sin against one and a crime against the other. The principle of stewardship covers the whole field of the industrial war between labor and capital and offers a solution for every phase of the struggle.

It is not without interest that the word translated "steward" is the word from which we get economist. Fulfilling the obligations of stewardship of muscle and mind and money is the economical method of life.

The Apostles also deal with the labor question. Three things cried to God, the blood of Abel, the sin of Sodom and defrauded labor in an age when it took fifteen days' work to get a bushel of wheat. Paul enjoins workingmen to labor as for Christ, and the employer to remember that both they and their servants have Christ for their Master. Both masters and men shall receive a second reward from Christ for faithful service.

May it not be that the church of God has sinned away the centuries in failing to preach and to practice the economic ideals of the Word of God until the red revolution must come to urge the reluctant church to her neglected task. Even now the masses of the mills and the factories have turned away from the church, which had its institution among those who labored with their hands, and are eating the forbidden fruit of atheistic teachers, who have promised that through this eating their eyes will be opened on the good things of this life.

J. M. COLEMAN.

Item 28. Attended to.

The report on Unfinished Business was returned to the table for the present.

R. J. Dodds was granted optional attendance.

The report of the Treasurer of the Foreign Board, the Jewish Mission Board and the Board of Church Erection was submitted and referred to the Committee on Finance.

The report of the Committee on the Interchurch World Movement reported. The report was laid on the table until the report of the Committee on Foreign Missions has been heard.

It was resolved to take the Synodical collection for the typist and janitor immediately after the noon recess.

Synod took recess until 2:00 P. M., Dr. J. M. Wright leading in prayer.

MONDAY AFTERNOON

Same Place, 2:00 o'clock.

Synod reconvened, was called to order by the Moderator, and opened with prayer by Elder J. F. Wilson.

The roll was called all responding to their names except Robert Allen, G. N. Greer and S. E. Greer.

The minutes were read and approved.

J. S. Martin and R. M. Downie were appointed fraternal delegates to the Synod of the Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church.

Synod's collection for the janitor and typist was lifted amounting to $65.60.

The Committee on Foreign Missions reported. The report was taken up item by item for adoption.

Items 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 were adopted.

In considering the report as a whole, the foreign missionaries present were presented to the court, together with Miss Elizabeth McElroy of Quinter, Kansas, and Miss Mary E. Shanks of Denver, Colorado, under appointment of the Foreign Board to the Syrian field. E. C. Mitchell of the China field, A. J. McFarland of the Syrian field, Miss Ella Margaret Stewart of the China field and F. M. Wilson, Corresponding Secretary of the Foreign Board, addressed the

court. After discussion the report was adopted as a whole and is as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN MISSIONS

Your Committee would respectfully report:

One paper has been placed in our hands—that of the Board of Foreign Missions. We report as follows:

It is with gratitude to God we learn that the crisis in our Foreign Missions has been met and that our work stands intact. Much credit is due the Corresponding Secretary of the Board and the response of the church is marvellous.

Owing to the increased cost of operation it does not seem advisable to open up new work at present.

It should be recorded here that, in spite of financial stringency in China the hospital at Lo Ting and the congregations of Lo Ting and Tak Hing were self-supporting during the past year, and that almost all schools and outstations have made progress in the same direction.

The great need for a school for girls in Cyprus is apparent, and this school should be reopened were it not for the heavy financial burden already on the shoulders of the church. It is for Synod to decide whether she will now reopen this school. It would require the sending out of one additional teacher. We believe it well to postpone it this year. The need for repairs, new equipment and additional workers in Asia Minor and Syria as submitted by the joint conference of the Reformed Presbyterian Missions of the Levant, are evident. Lack of funds will of necessity make the purchasing of equipment and making repairs a slow process. Owing to lack of information it does not seem advisable for this Synod to attempt to advise the Foreign Mission Board on the order of precedence in making these repairs. We believe the Board better able than Synod to decide these things and leave them to the wisdom of the Board.

We note with regret the serious illness of Mrs. E. C. Mitchell which has made necessary the return of the Mitchells from the field.

The special evangelical efforts known as the "Goforth" meetings deserve commendation and the interest of the work demands that such meetings frequently be held. The earnest efforts on the part of the missionaries in China to reach at least five hundred is commendable.

Since we have seen some of the missionaries from China present at this Synod it seems advisable that our missionaries from China be heard on the subject of Union work in China sometime during this Synod.

We call attention to the fact that according to the present scale of salaries paid married missionaries it is necessary for a missionary to have served fifteen years in order to command the minimum salary paid ministers in the home land. Furthermore it should be said that the missionaries are living in cities of such size that the minimum would be $400 higher than that referred to

above. It should also be said that missionaries home on furlough are compelled to live on smaller salaries in America than this Synod considers possible as a minimum for pastors of home churches. We believe that this inequality should be taken in hand by the Board.

We make the following recommendations:

1. That, inasmuch as this Synod has not sufficient facts before it relative to repairs needed in the Levant, that the matter be left to the Board, which shall make as few repairs as possible, until the high rate of exchange and high cost of living be adjusted.

2. That new buildings be not undertaken and new workers be not put in the field until the current expense cost of our missions can be reduced, except the workers necessary to maintain the present status of our work.

3. That the Board be authorized to proceed in transfer of the Suadia field to the Scotch-Irish Reformed Presbyterian Board.

4. That Synod's Foreign missionaries be presented by the Corresponding Secretary of the Board at this time, and that Earnest Mitchell and Miss Stewart and A. J. McFarland be given ten minutes each to represent their respective fields, and that the Secretary of the Board also be heard.

5. That those members of the Board whose time expires with this meeting of Synod be chosen their own successors and the name of S. J. Johnston be added.

Respectfully submitted,

J. D. EDGAR, Chairman.
J. BOYD TWEED,
H. G. PATTERSON,
J. R. SMITH,
S. J. HUSTON.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS TO THE SYNOD OF 1920

The Board of Foreign Missions come to the Synod to report on one portion of the Church's work. Administration may be divided but the work of Christ is one. This Board has sought to carry forward during the year the portion entrusted to it by Christ and the Church.

With profound gratitude to God we report that the crisis which overtook the missions was met by the Church. World conditions threatened to bring chaos in both our finances and work. It became apparent that much more money must be raised than the sum appropriated by Synod. For a time we were threatened with the necessity of bringing some of the workers home. Happily the appeals to the Church were most generously met and we are grateful to God that we have thus far been able to keep them at their stations. Worn and weary some are now in America for furlough and others must come soon. In Latakia, Cyprus and Mersina they are calling for re-enforcements. The school in Cyprus is growing so as to make another worker seem necessary. In Latakia especially they are left very short-handed.

Vital interests will suffer unless re-enforcements can be gotten to them by autumn.

At the November meeting of the Board it was decided that steps could not be taken this year to open up a station in Yunnan. The increased cost of operations alone made this decision necessary, and some of the field force were either already, or soon to be on furlough. Native workers and the spirit of self-support are increasing so rapidly that it may be possible to open the new station in the not distant future. As far as we can judge the embarrassments caused by depreciated currency and inflated prices of goods have not seriously hindered the work in China. Not only has the Lo Ting Hospital continued to be self-supporting but the congregation there has also paid its own way entirely this year. Tak Hing congregation also has reached the same goal. All the schools and the out-stations in both districts, almost without exception, have made notable progress in "this same grace also." In general there is an optimistic note from every field unless it be with the single exception of Asia Minor where political conditions remain so uncertain; and unusual success has attended the efforts in evangelism, education, native training, ministry to the sick, relief to the needy, and shepherding the flocks. Even in Asia Minor the schools were not closed a day by the war, and although the Turk offered mercy to all who would deny Christ, Mr. McFarland reports that, so far as they know, during the entire period of horror and persecutions unspeakable, not a single Christian purchased physicial life by renouncing the faith.

In Cyprus the Academy continues to grow in influence and power, indicating that the foundations of the school were wisely laid. The return of refugees to other parts reduced the attendance a little, but the local attendance is larger than ever this year. When Mr. Smith and Mr. Tweed were detained from reaching Cyprus until the middle of November, Mr. Weir showed his real worth in laying hold of doubled and trebled tasks, until they should arrive, he knew not when. Through sheer self-mastery and generalship he held the school and teaching force together until gossiping tongues, asserting that the Americans were deceivers and quitters, were silenced by their arrival; and the Academy early in December swung into its stride and has registered the best year in its history. Mr. Weir's enthusiasm and estimate of the school's prospects are indicated by these words: "I shall be loathe to leave here next summer. It is a work that has gripped me to the core. I would not exchange with any man living. But it is necessary to go home to get better prepared for the future. Really we have not come near to the limit of development here yet. I can see nothing but bright prospects for the future. It is worth any man's best efforts." As is true of a successful school anywhere the Academy has now reached that stage of its development where it must perforce either expand or lose its opportunity. With Mr. Weir returning to America this summer, another teacher becomes imperative, for, although Rev. Walter McCarroll should return as Head Master of the school, the evangelistic work must be neglected unless Rev. Alvin W. Smith be given more liberty for this department. To it he earn-

estly desires to give the major portion of his efforts. The shortage of the teaching force made necessary the discontinuing of the girls' school which had been conducted two years or more. It is greatly missed and much needed. The crying need now is for founding a girls' school on the proper basis. Christian missionary education goes limping on but one foot whilst the boys only are educated. It is even more imperative that the wives and mothers of the future homes be given Christian training—and it is more strategic. The Rev. Alvin Smith writes: "There is no good school in all the island for girls and no place where training in English can be secured except rarely at the convents. Calls are coming in from many quarters from English, Armenian, Syrian and parents of other nationalities for some school where they can send their girls and know they will be in wholesome surroundings and will receive training of the highest quality." A girls' school could be founded in a suitable building near by the Academy, thus enabling the teachers to give part time to the girls. The initial expense would not be large. The project would require the sending out of one young woman teacher and it is thought that ere long the school would prove self-sustaining, except for the salary of the teachers. Thus, to hold and wisely use what has already been attained would seem to require some advance. The board would welcome the advice of Synod.

Last year we were able to publish in the June number of Olive Trees a letter from Rev. J. S. Stewart, summing up the fortunes of the Syrian field during the period of the war. In the Synod number this year will be found a similar letter from the pen of the Rev. A. J. McFarland, giving a most instructive and heartening account of the work in the Tarsus field for the same period. It shows that in a wonderful way God cared for his people and his cause. Not less surprising is the record of the incredible amount of work that was kept going almost unabated during those trying days. Of the ninety-nine members of the church when the war began all can be accounted for without the loss of one by defection, eighty-six being still connected with the church while the others removed out of the bounds of our church or died in exile. Six years ago 400 were in the schools, and during the war this number for most of the time was actually increased. When one reads Mr. McFarland's account of the hardships and persecutions to which these people were subjected, the mind is filled with amazement that the work of the Lord continued to prosper under such conditions. Dr. Peoples and Mr. McFarland performed almost superhuman tasks, and that without flagging year after year. In spite of the brutal tyranny and constant interference of the Turkish officers, "great numbers of the poor slaves from the Turkish army received all the help which our skillful Dr. Peoples and his efficient Armenian nurse could give them under these untoward circumstances." "Part of the time there were in the hospital more than 100 beds, and all occupied, while many beside received treatment at the daily clinic." The interest and surprise continue when one reads on and notes the large amount of evangelistic work kept constantly under way, and the fine fidelity of the native evangelists, bravely remaining at their posts—or in the instance of one, banished but later return-

ing with faith unshaken and loyalty to Christ undiminished. The relief work, since the armistice, has been rather fully put before the Church in the prints. Mr. McFarland's summary will be of permanent value and record. So eagerly have our people read every line from our brethren in the Syrian field that it is thought unnecessary here to attempt even a brief review of their work for the past year.

The requirements of these fields for the immediate future are submitted to the Board in the findings of the Joint Conference of the Levant Missions of the Scotch-Irish and American Reformed Presbyterian Churches, which was held in Latakia March 9-15 of this year. Their conclusions were reached after much prayer and a careful survey of the needs of each station. They are laid before the Boards of the Churches across the water and your Board "as embodying," to use the language of the report, "the minimum requirements necessary to meet the demands of the fields."

1. For Latakia Field.

   Latakia Center:

   Equipment—Extensive repairs on buildings, estimates to be submitted.

   New Buildings—Missionary residence, completion of proposed plan, hospital site and building.

   Personnel—Additional physician, nurse for hospital, lady missionary for Girls' School, short term teacher for Girls' School, Head Master for Boys' School, Department for workers' training under J. S. Stewart.

   Suadea Station:

   We recommend to our respective Boards the transfer of the Suadea Station to the Scotch-Irish Board to be connected with the Antioch field, and we believe that a missionary doctor and a lady to act as superintendent of schools are necessary to man the station.

2. For Alexandretta Field:

   Equipment—School building and completion of mission home.

   Personnel—Lady missionary teacher, short term lady teacher.

3. For Antioch Field:

   Owing to the fact that Antioch could not be represented at the Conference, the needs of this field are not presented.

4. For Mersina Field.

   Mersina Center:

   Repairs on present building, boys' boarding school, site and building.

Tarsus Center:

Equipment—Buildings suitable for school and church, hospital building and physician's residence.

Adana Center:

Building suitable for school and church.

Personnel—Head Master for Boys' School, lady missionary teacher, additional physician, nurse for hospital.

5. For Cyprus Feld:

Owing to the fact that Cyprus was not represented at the Conference, the needs of the field are not presented.

6. That repairs on present buildings should be regarded as urgent and arranged for at once.

7. That our Boards be reminded that funds will be needed for the "Forward Movement" among villages of the Fellaheen in the whole field represented in this Conference as fast as workers are available and conditions permit.

This report is signed by S. Edgar, R. E. Willson, J. M. Balph, S. H. Kennedy and Miss M. B. Edgar. These recommendations commend themselves to the Board as wise and necessary. The Synod is asked to authorize the Board, in consultation with the Mission, to decide the order of precedence in the items recommended, and proceed to the program as fast as may seem wise and the funds are available.

We suggest that Synod authorize the transfer of the Suadea Station to the Scotch-Irish Board. The repairs on the buildings at Latakia and Mersina; a missionary residence and a hospital at Latakia; Boys' Boarding School at Mersina, to be known as a memorial to J. French Carithers; hospital and physician's residence at Tarsus should be provided for as soon as possible.

In suggesting that this building program be authorized, the Board does not anticipate that it could all be carried to completion within the near future. Costs of material and labor, as well as all other considerations bearing on the project, would receive careful consideration by the Board and any part of the work would be entered upon only when mature judgment would indicate that it would be wise to proceed. As for re-enforcements, the mission urges that a short term English teacher for Girls' School, a permanent teacher for Girls' School, a head master for Boys' School, an additional physician and a nurse are required for Latakia, and the same for the Mersina field. Not all of these can be sent out this year. Some of them should be sent at once. If the Synod approve, the Board will undertake to meet the imperative needs in the teaching force this year and the other demands later, and only as changing conditions and the receipt of funds shall warrant.

The working force on the Levant fields is the same as at last Synod except that the Rev. Alvin W. Smith and Mr. Ernest V. Tweed went to Cyprus, while Dr. Calvin McCarroll and family

came home on furlough; the Rev. Samuel Edgar came home last summer and returned to Latakia in the late autumn; Miss Evadna M. Sterrett, having been married to Dr. James M. Balph, resigned from service in Mersina and went to Latakia; the Rev. A. J. McFarland and wife came on furlough early in March, and the Rev. J. S. Stewart and family are en route home as this report is being prepared. Miss M. Florence Mearns resigned from service in Latakia, starting to America with the Stewarts. The Synod will rejoice with our missionaries in the fact that three native evangelists have been ordained. The Syrian Commission met early in March at Latakia, and the licentiate of Latakia and the evangelist at Tarsus, and the one at Adana, were examined and ordained to the gospel ministry. Mr. McFarland characterizes them as men who "have shown much efficiency and faithfulness through many years of service." Writing after the meeting of the Commission, Miss Maggie B. Edgar, when expressing the need of two young women teachers to be sent out to Latakia at once, noted how encouraged they were all feeling by reason of the ordination of these evangelists, and the beginning of the Bible woman's work in the city, which she had been wanting for so long. When Dr. Peoples leaves for furlough, Rev. R. E. Willson and family and Miss French will be left alone at Mersina; and at Latakia Dr. and Mrs. Balph, Rev. Samuel Edgar and Miss Edgar are now in entire charge. The church should support them in earnest prayer. Miss Mary E. Shanks, of Denver, and Miss Elizabeth McElroy, of Quinter, are under appointment to the Levant.

Before reporting on the year's work in China a few words may be said with reference to the personnel. Dr. James M. Wright and family, and Miss Ella Margaret Stewart, have spent the year on furlough; the Rev. Julius A. Kempf and wife returned to the field, and as announced to the Church, Rev. J. K. Robb was retained in this country. It was with deep regret to the Rev. E. C. Mitchell and wife that they were required to come home owing to the return of Mrs. Mitchell's illness. Although serious sickness overtook Miss Dean and Dr. Robb for longer or shorter periods, God graciously spared their lives and they are now restored to health and power for service. All those sent out two and three years ago respectively have finished their preliminary language study and have entered upon active service.

In spite of the disturbances which so unexpectedly and seriously overtook our work in China, the year now closed has been in many respects the most conspicuous in successful service. There seems unanimous agreement among the missionaries that spiritual experiences reached high water mark. All reports of the annual meeting in January agree that it was the best and most impressive they ever held. The Holy Spirit was present in power. The official account predicts that the closing session on Monday evening, January 19, will be long remembered by all," and continues, "confession of sins and requests for prayer were made. The Holy Spirit was presiding." The president of the mission meeting "said he was helpless, and we were all deeply impressed by the presence of the Spirit." Their request of the

church at home is, "Pray for us, for our work, your work and for China."

The placing of the work a year ago in the hands of committees has resulted in more effective operation in almost every department. The committees are taking their work seriously, as may be seen by the reports and plans published in the April, May and June number of Olive Trees. It is a matter of regret that the medical work in the Gregg Memorial Hospital is suffering a reaction. With a view to preparing the way for placing the hospital on a better basis, and putting responsibility for its support more fully on the natives, the mission voted to close it temporarily, and Dr. McBurney will devote herself for a time to itinerant work. Yet her readable report for the year scintillates with interesting accounts of successful gospel work. Successive trips into the country carried Dr. McBurney farther and farther afield. Everywhere China proves to be a land of widespread spiritual and physical disease. Meetings for prayer and conference, some daily, some weekly, are held at the hospital with the object of saving the lost. The helpers have been diligent in witnessing and bear testimony that the patients are increasingly responsive. A good number gave evidence of saving faith, some having applied for baptism and three having been received into the church. The itinerant work opened many doors of which but few have yet been entered. "On every trip we are met with requests to go farther afield," says Dr. McBurney. "We try to respond and that gives us call to go farther beyond."

At Lo Ting Dr. Dickson has had the help part of the year of Dr. Edna Wallace and Miss Smith. Patients in much larger numbers came the past year, more than 500 villages having been touched by the dispensary alone. The native hospital board placed itself on record as interested in the morals of the community by protesting strongly to the government against the debasing custom of gambling. The Leper Asylum, for which three acres of ground were donated last year, is now in the way of being founded. Dr. Dickson insists that the people themselves must provide it out of a sense of their own responsibility to their unfortunate brethren. The Governor of the province, Mr. Wu Ting Fang, formerly ambassador at Washington, and the local Magistrate have become contributors and solicitors for the funds.

Spiritual results are not lacking in medical work at Lo Ting. "Quite a number of patients have declared their belief in Christ and registered as enquirers. Four whom we believe had a saving knowledge of Christ and were ready for baptism were called to their eternal home before this sacrament could be performed."

The educational work had a successful year in all parts. All our missionaries have now finished in the Canton Language School and are entering upon active service. The school for girls at Lo Ting was under the care of Miss Dean. Their new building of three stories, the gift of Mr. R. N. Redpath, of Olathe, Kansas, was completed and dedicated December 31, with Chinese educators and officials of the district present in the most cordial spirit to participate in the exercises. Before the close of the year all the girls in the school but four (and two of these were

held back by unwilling parents) registered as believers and applied for baptism. And each believing girl is praying and laboring for the salvation of at least one other girl of her acquaintance.

Miss Rose Huston's report of the schools for women and girls at Tak Hing is similarly thrilling. The enrollment in her women's school was 21 and in that of the girls' 58. "The past year has been one of joy and blessing, with just enough of the hard things thrown in to bring out the fullness of joy, and trust in the power of God. We have had the hearty co-operation of the teachers, and the wholesome Christian spirit that seems to prevail is due to the life and work and prayers of these teachers, who have had some rich Christian experiences.

We have had the privilege and joy of seeing five girls and one woman received into the church, besides six girls and eight women who have applied for baptism and who will likely be received at the communion January 11, and be reported next year. Every pupil in school who is old enough is either a church member or an applicant for baptism."

The Christian district schools are multiplying in outlying sections until in almost all directions these torches are shining in midst of the encircling gloom.

In some respects most important of all are the training schools. The reports indicate the same high standard of work set in previous years, and a large amount of active evangelism is done by the students. In such training lie the prospects for the future. The great need of all mission lands are native workers. And the persons conducting these draw their inspiration and encouragement not from registered conversions and baptisms but from the vision of trained native disciples a few years hence gathering a harvest of souls for Christ.

Perhaps deepest immediate interest centers in that department which in the more restricted sense is called evangelistic. On January 1 there were 585 communicants. There were dispensed in the year 22 communions. There are 12 chapels, 11 regular prayer meetings, 11 Bible classes and nine Sabbath Schools with an average attendance of 261.

It is fitting that something be said this year about an extension of one department of the work. While evangelism among women has been done almost from the beginning and is now one of the most important features in and about Tak Hing, Miss Nellie A. Brownlee was the first to receive appointment as a Bible woman. A year ago she confronted her task. When ready for service she determined to penetrate the regions beyond. Passing out far beyond the villages surrounding Tak Hing she found in a vast strip of territory reaching from Fung Tsuen, several miles above Do Sing on the west, to the extreme eastern limit of our territory, a field in which nothing was being done in the line of evangelism for women. At Do Sing she found women who, as girls, had come under the influence of Dr. Jean McBurney and Mrs. E. C. Mitchell, and were longing for more light. Proceeding with her survey she penetrated the districts on each side of the rivers in varying distances of from five to ten miles, visiting 30

villages or more, in all of which she and her companions preached the gospel, and in most of which they found people who had come into contact with the gospel through the medical work of Drs. Wright and the McBurneys. Thus the seed sown in former days is germinating and awaiting cultivation.

From her survey she concludes there are at least 100 villages in this territory with a population of from 75 to 1000 each. With the help of native women she has already begun permanent classes in some of these villages. Her breezy and bracing report, appearing in the June number of Olive Trees, is as readable as a piece of romance and indicates the wide open field before our Bible women.

It is reported that the winter has marked a distinct advance spiritually for the Christians in the Tak Hing district. "One of our preachers went home from the Goforth meetings and held a revival in his chapel, telling the people they must confess their sins. They had been doing nothing in the way of giving and were letting a boys' school close for lack of our support. After the meetings they subscribed enough to keep the school going," and other good results followed.

The ten men in the theological training school give half of the year to study and the other to evangelism in the outlying districts. For the encouragement and efficiency of all native workers a monthly conference was held. Besides three general evangelistic conferences for all workers were held, two in Tak Hing and one in Lo Ting. Dr. A. I. Robb spoke by arrangement of the Witness Committee, in the Canton Christian College to 400 students on Christ's Kingship; and in the summer vacation he discussed the same subject before the missionaries of the various boards at Cheung Chau Island. In July the Preachers' Conference of the Province, lasting two weeks, met in Canton Christian College and Dr. Robb delivered five lectures, one of which was on the subject of Christ's Kingly Office and claims on the nation. His observation is that "Chinese Christians generally receive this truth more readily than some others." This witnessing is reported in connection with the evangelism in the conviction that the two cannot be rightly separated. The amount of traveling throughout the districts must have been very large and the gospel has been carried into very many parts. The general plan of campaign is summed up in a paragraph taken from the report of the evangelistic committee: "Believing that the greatest good can be accomplished in our field at the present time by itinerating, both by missionaries and native workers, we urge that preachers, teachers, physicians and nurses give all possible time to this form of work." In all their efforts, too, they are insisting upon self-support. Chapels are opened only where the natives are sufficiently interested to provide them; and increase in salaries of native workers, made necessary by increased cost of living, must be met by the native church..

In the Lo Ting district the Rev. E. C. Mitchell had charge of the congregation and seven other stations, three of the latter being now self-supporting. Many of them are building their own chapels and schools, and there has been in most stations an in-

crease in membership. For three and a half months Mr. Mitchell had charge of construction of the girl's school building; he was on the committee that visited Yunnan. Nevertheless he looked after the preaching in all the stations, held Bible classes in the jail, dispensed eleven communions and baptized fifty-one persons in the year. His report is that "the work in the evangelistic department has been more encouraging this year than it has been at any time since we came to Lo Ting six years ago. The old stations are in better shape and new stations are being opened. We recognize the Lord's hand in all this and we praise him for it."

Last year the mission sent us an account of their pledge that by personal effort and prayer they would do all in their power to bring Christ to men and, if possible, lead 500 souls within a year to accept him. The church at home was urged to unite with them in prayer to this end. Many in the home land responded to this appeal. On the field there were many labors, prayers and searchings of heart. At different times throughout the year particular meetings were held with this purpose in view. Toward the close of the year the workers set themselves more earnestly and zealously to prepare for a time of reviving and ingathering. Convinced that the primary hindrance to greater success lay in the lack of spiritual power in the lives of those who had already accepted Christ, arrangements were made to have Dr. Goforth come to Tak Hing and hold special meetings for the missionaries and converts themselves. These meetings were followed a month later by special evangelistic efforts at both Tak Hing and Lo Ting in which both missionaries and native Christians, revived and renewed by the previous meetings, set themselves to reach the unsaved. While good reports of the meetings held under the leadership of Dr. Goforth have come to us we are not yet informed as to the visible results of the meetings which followed. These facts will properly belong to the report next year, yet it is interesting to note that at the time of the annual meeting in January 101 had been baptized and 243 others had registered as believers. God only can count where this man and that were born; and when God the peoples counts, he doubtless reckons many unknown to men.

The Board notes the death of Dr. R. M. Sommerville, for many years the faithful and able Corresponding Secretary, which occurred February 3. He was a man of unusual powers and rare devotion. His love for Christ was clearly manifest, and his labors were so abundant as to be almost prodigious. He founded our missionary magazine, and was its sole editor and publisher until he presented it to the Board. His correspondence with the missionaries ever growing in volume, was said by them to be most helpful and inspiring. Few could have laid the foundations of our mission work on so broad a basis and not many could have carried such burdens in connection with his pastoral work and ministerial duties. His labors are over and his works do follow him.

Application was made by the Board to the Inter-Church World Movement for a share in the undesignated funds for missions. This we did after being repeatedly urged to do so by the

leaders in that movement, and on the assurance that they would be glad to include our entire budget in theirs and after the payment of the expenses of the campaign apportion a share to our Board for needed objects on our fields which we could not feel free to ask the church to provide for in addition to the other contributions it was making. The expenses of the movement are to be a first charge against the undesignated funds collected and the remainder is to be distributed proportionately among the cooperating Boards. Meanwhile in order that money for expenses might be borrowed from the banks, each Board gave a guarantee of 5 per cent. of its budget.

For many years the Board has been confronted with the problem of how best to provide for the educational work in the medical and nursing departments. Three years ago the question came before Synod in connection with the specific service of Dr. James M. Wright. Prior to Dr. Wright's leaving the field for furlough the mission appointed him to discuss this entire question with the Board. Miss Smith, registered nurse, is now ready for active service and the question arises as to the best method of employing her talents as a teacher of nurses. Dr. Wright and a number of the other members of the mission are present at this meeting of Synod. Believing that the Synod will be interested in hearing a discussion of these questions, it is recommended that the Court avail itself of the opportunity offered by their presence to have them set before it the entire situation. If the Synod agree to this proposal, the Board believes we might be enabled better to understand the requirements of the situation.

The Budget of the Board for next year has been itemized for submission to Synod's Co-ordinating Committee which recommends an appropriation of $105,000.

The time for which Arthur A. Samson, McLeod M. Pearce, John W. F. Carlisle and R. A. Blair were chosen to the Board has expired. Synod should choose their successors. The Board requests that the Rev. S. J. Johnston be added to its membership.

For mission study these books are recommended: "The Near East, Crossroads of the World," by William H. Hall, of the Syrian Protestant College, Beirut; for the Intermediates, "Shepard of Aintab;" Story Book for Juniors, "Fez and Turban Tales," and on the suggestion of the Women's Organizations "Bible and Missions," by Mrs. Helen Barrett Montgomery, for adults; and "Lamp Lighters Across the Sea," by Margaret T. Applegate, for Juniors.

The Corresponding Secretary and the President have been appointed to represent the Board on the floor of Synod.

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In view of the unusual world conditions, resulting in the increased cost of all our mission work, the Board will welcome the fullest counsel of Synod as to the manner it is desired that the Board undertake to meet the situation. What is the mind of Christ in these trying times? What does the Church wish the Board to do, confronted with a world, needy almost beyond prece-

dent, suffering, humbled, plastic, teachable? The world needs the gospel. We have it. Christ has commanded that it be given to the world. He has the power. We are weakness itself. Yet he commands us to obey. The power to obey is the only power we possess. Will our obedience prove him a faithful or an unfaithful Master? We are apparently overburdened with manifold obligations. Can we by a lesser obedience to his last great command find a measure of relief from the load weighing down upon us? Should we, his soldiers, armed and carrying bows, turn back in the day of battle? Or are we now more loudly summoned to come up to the help of the Lord against the mighty? Do we believe in our God? Have we faith in our gospel? For what kind of a day and a need was the gospel given if not for these? This is a dark hour, and God seems to be moving but slowly. But is God taken unawares? Must God wait? Is God straitened but in his own people? And dare we ever look for a better day in the world except as the church gives the world the gospel of salvation? Will waiting make the task any easier? Facing the Master today do we in doubt ask him John's question, "Art thou he that should come, or do we look for another?"

Your Board of Foreign Missions believes it has no desire to over-estimate any department of the one world work of our Lord Jesus Christ. Our Lord alone knows how to maintain and strengthen his church at home while it seeks to extend his work abroad. He alone has the power to save the church and make effective her testimony here and there. Shall we then still our troubled hearts to hear once more his pronouncement of the world-encompassing, heaven-sufficient remedy for the ills of a dying world? Peter reminds us it was not so long ago he spake and we should be able to hear distinctly what he said. "Forget not this one thing, beloved, that one day is with the Lord as a thousand years and a thousand years as one day."—II Peter 3:8. By this reckoning it was just the day before yesterday when the Lord Jesus held an interview with his people on earth. He had appointed the place of meeting and given them a few weeks to arrange for attending. At that council the Lord took into account the present unsettled state of the world, which is so disturbing to us. Among other things he reviewed to his mind the present political, industrial and moral conditions of Europe, Asia, Africa and America—and the other parts of the world. The seething passion, the turmoil, the chaos; the suffering and death; the hatred, strife and wickedness, following the great war, rose black and threatening and menacing before him. He saw men in their madness and bewilderment killing each other. They were destroying the fruits of their years of toil and ordered life. They were spoiling the fair face of God's world. He saw millions in distress, and thousands dying. He heard women wailing and children crying in their hopelessness. Crushed in their physical sorrows, men forgot they had souls. Immortals by the million were sinking into perdition. "There was no eye to pity and no hand to save." The reason for this appalling situation was that "Light had come into the world, and men loved darkness rather than light, because their deeds were evil."

Knowing his plan to meet the world's needs, Jesus Christ

had summoned his people to the mountain in the Galilee. They were few in number—"above five hundred"—all there were in the world. Though they came, some of the few doubted that Christ could meet the need of their day; some even doubted him. Nevertheless, knowing what the matter was with the world then, and forseeing what the matter would be today, and knowing what must be done—the one thing needed, nothing more, nothing less, nothing other—"Jesus came and spake unto them, saying: All authority hath been given unto me in heaven and on earth. Go ye therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them into the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit; teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world." The gospel of the Kingdom, the setting up of the Kingdom of God on earth. There is no remedy for this world's ills but Christ. "Look unto me, and be ye saved, all the ends of the earth." Kingdom building at home and abroad; here and there and everywhere; until His will shall be done on earth as it is in heaven. This is the sole and sufficient duty of the Church of the living God.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the Board,
FINDLEY M. WILSON, Corresponding Secretary.

The report of the Committee on Inter-Church World Movement was taken from the table. Pending discussion, Synod adjourned to meet tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock, J. M. Wylie leading in prayer.

Statistical Report of the Reformed Presbyterian Mission in South China—1919

| STATIONS | EVANGELISTIC. WORKERS. FOREIGN. Ordained Men. | Wives. | Single Women. | WORKERS. CHINESE. Ordained Men. | Licentiates. | Evangelists, Men. | Evangelists, Women. | Organized Congregations. | Chapels. | INCREASE Baptism Adult. | Infant. | DECREASE. Registered Inquirers. | By Certificate. | Death. | Dismissal. | SABBATH SCHOOLS. No. Communicants. | Number. | Teachers | Average Attendance. | Bible Classes. | Prayer Meetings. | No. Students in Training School. | Communions Held. | MEDICAL FOREIGNERS. PHYSICIANS. Contributions. | Expenditure. | Suplement from Mission. | Hospitals. | Dispensaries. | Men. | Women. | Wives. | Nurses. | CHINESE ASSTS. Men. | Women. | In-Patients. | Dispensary Patients. | Out Calls. | Operations. | Received for Fees and Medicine Sold. | Contributions Received. | From Mission Treasury. | EDUCATIONAL GIRLS AND WOMEN. TEACHING FORCE. Foreign Women. | Chinese Men. | Chinese Women. | Non-Christian. | KINDERGARTEN Schools. | Pupils, Boarding. | Pupils, Day. | Graduates. | Suplement by Mission. | LOWER. Boarding Pupils | Day Pupils. | Graduates. | No. School Days. | Hours Devotion per Week. | Hours Bible Study per Week. | Converstons. | ELEMENTARY. Receipts, Local. | Expenditures. | Supplement from Mission. | HIGHER. Boarding Pupils. | Day Pupils. | Graduates. | No. School Days. | Hours Devotion per Week. | Hours Bible Study per Week. | ELEMENTARY. Receipts, Local. | Expenditures. | Supplement from Mission. | WOMAN'S SCHOOL. Pupils. | Graduates. | Hours Devotion per Week. | Hours Bible Study per Week. | Receipts, Local. | Expenditures. | Supplement from Mission. |
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TUESDAY FORENOON

Same Place, 9:00 o'clock.

Synod met according to adjournment and was called to order by the Moderator, and constituted with prayer by J. K. Robb.

The roll was called all responding to their names.

The minutes of the preceding session were read and approved.

J. R. W. Stevenson, Robert Allen, G. M. Robb and J. K. Robb were granted optional attendance from the remaining sessions of Synod.

A communication from F. M. Foster was read and referred to the Committee on Discipline.

The Co-ordinating Committee reported. The report was taken up item by item for adoption. It was amended and adopted and is as follows:

REPORT OF CO-ORDINATING COMMITTEE

The Co-ordinating Committee, provided for in the program of the Forward Movement adopted by Synod last year, met at the call of the General Secretary of the Forward Movement, on Wednesday, June 2, at 11:00 o'clock, and since that time has held 12 meetings.

This Committee consists of one representative from each of the following boards and committees:

1. Foreign Missions
2. Home Missions
3. Seminary
4. College
5. Control
6. Witness
7. Y. P. Secretary
8. Temperance
9. Evangelistic Committee
10. Church Erection.

The work of this Committee has been in a field, new and hitherto untried in so far as our own church is concerned at least, and we have had to feel our way along, praying that light would be given to dispel the darkness at each new turn in the road.

Our task has been stupendous, our experience limited, and we have felt very keenly the responsibility which has been placed upon us. We have sought humbly and with much prayer to be

guided to wise and just conclusions by the spirit of Christ.

We have made errors in judgment, but we trust we have not erred in motive, and we earnestly urge that Synod will not overrule the conclusions which we have reached until after it has canvassed the situation, at least as thoroughly as has been done by your Committee.

For its guidance in the prosecution of its work your Committee adopted the following rules:

Rules for Guiding the Co-ordinating Committee

1. This Committee shall hold at least one meeting each year previous to the meeting of Synod, at the call of the Forward Movement Secretary.

2. At this meeting each board and committee shall submit an itemized account of its expenditures during the preceding year together with a statement of all moneys and pledges on hands, or any deficits as the case may be.

3. Each board and committee shall present an authorized statement of the financial needs for the Synodical year, together with itemized plan for expending the funds.

4. The balances in any fund shall be taken into account in recommending appropriations for the coming year.

5. The Co-ordinating Committee shall weigh all applications, endeavor to adjust all inequalities and recommend to Synod the appropriation to be granted for each scheme.

6. Earnest prayer rather than prolonged discussion shall be the method for reaching agreement in co-ordinating the claims made upon the funds of the church.

We submit the following recommendations:

1. That the Synod adopt the budget system with the following provisions:

Recommendations for the Budget as Adopted

1. That the Church adopt the budget system of finance, by which all moneys shall be paid into a common fund and distributed pro rata according to the proportions designated by Synod, except as hereinafter provided.

2. That the amount of $1,250,000.00 be submitted to the Church, as its goal for the period of five years, Synod apportioning to each Presbytery its due proportion yearly, Presbyteries apportioning the amounts to the congregations, and the budget be subject to revision year by year.

3. That the months of September and October be set apart for the special campaign of education throughout the church, and the enlistment of tithers and securing of pledges to cover the budget.

4. All designated bequests shall be applied according to the

wishes of the donor without reducing the Synodical appropriation to that scheme for the Synodical year.

5. All designated contributions shall be applied according to the wishes of the donor.

6. All undesignated contributions and bequests shall be applied to make up the lack in each appropriation of Synod to the amount called for and after this is done shall be distributed pro rata.

7. Special financial drives in the church shall not be permitted unless authorized by Synod.

8. That in the congregations where the one fund system has been adopted it is understood that the contributions shall be prorated among the schemes of the church after the necessary home expenses have been paid.

II. That the Synod adopt the budget for the coming year of $230,500, to be apportioned to the schemes of the church in the following manner:

Literary Fund	$ 2,000.00
Aged Ministers	2,500.00
Widows and Orphans	2,500.00
Students' Aid	2,000.00
Aged People's Home	2,500.00
Theological Seminary	4,000.00
Jewish Mission	3,000.00
Southern Mission	15,000.00
Indian Mission	6,000.00
Domestic Mission	25,000.00
Temperance	3,000.00
Witnessing	20,000.00
Geneva College	35,000.00
Church Erection	3,000.00

In view of the special emergency which the co-ordinating committee can see no other way of meeting, the Foreign Mission Board is recommended for $105,000.

III. We recommend that this budget be divided among the Presbyteries as follows:

Central Canada	$ 2,560.00
Colorado	7,013.00
Illinois	13,267.00
Iowa	17,089.00
Kansas	48,589.00
N. B. & N. S.	719.00
New York	25,540.00
Ohio	14,418.00
Pacific Coast	10,172.00
Philadelphia	25,013.00
Pittsburgh	59,575.00
Rochester	6,545.00

IV. That Presbyteries apportion to the congregations their share taking into account their past contributions, their resources, their burden of local expenses, and the number of tithers in each congregation; the congregations having the smallest percentage of tithers being given a correspondingly larger proportion of the increase in the budget.

V. That the Evangelistic Committee be authorized to draw on the Domestic Mission Fund to the amount of $1,000.

VI. That the Young People's Department be authorized to draw on the Domestic Mission Fund to the amount of $250.

VII. We recommend that the expenses of the Forward Movement be met according to the action of the Synod of 1919 (Minutes p. 134).

VIII. That the Treasurer of the Foreign Mission Board and the Treasurer of the Woman's Association shall report to the Treasurer of Synod's Board of Trustees the amount of the funds in their hands after their stated meetings every other month, including all bequests and contributions, designated and undesignated, and the income from invested funds, and that Synod's Treasurer be authorized at such times to make distribution of the undesignated contributions and bequests in his hands as each fund is entitled to receive.

IX. That the Systematic Beneficence Committee, Jewish Mission Board, nad Synod's Board of Trustees be added to the list which furnishes representatives to the Co-ordinating Committee.

X. That the General Secretary be authorized to arrange for a conference of deacons or financial officers within the bounds of each Presbytery.

XI. That each Presbytery appoint a committee at this meeting of Synod to apportion the Presbyterial budgets among their congregations and report within thirty days to the Forward Movement Secretary.

XII. That the Christian Nation be granted an average of one page and a quarter of denominational advertising from the Church, weekly, throughout the year. The Forward Movement Secretary shall arrange with the departments the amount each shall take.

XIII. That the Forward Movement Secretary be authorized to provide a blank and that Presbyteries be instructed to see that these blanks are filled out, by which information shall be furnished to the Co-ordinating Committee concerning the financial resources of each congregation in the Presbytery.

J. G. McELHINNEY, Chairman.

A proposition to combine the treasuries of the church into one was laid on the table until next year.

The Committee on the Inter-Church World Movement

submitted a revised report which was taken up item by item for adoption.

Item 1. Adopted. Further consideration of this report was postponed until next year. The report is as follows:

Your Committee on Inter-Church World Movement would respectfully report.

I. That Synod expresses its approval of the general purpose of the Inter-Church Movement to aid in the establishment of the Kingdom of God.

II. Regarding this as an opportunity to help shape the policies of this movement and thus aid in securing the recognition of the Kingship of Jesus Christ, that this Synod elect two delegates to represent the Reformed Presbyterian Church on their General Committee with instructions that they express this church's disapproval of the use of instrumental music and hymns of human composition in the public worship of God.

III. That owing to our assessment of $32 per member for benevolences for the year 1920-1921, we are unable for the present year to assume financial responsibility beyond $1,000.

J. M. WYLIE, Chairman.

Synod took recess until 2:00 P. M., R. M. Young leading in prayer.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON

Same Place, 2:00 P. M.

Synod reconvened, was called to order by the Moderator, and led in prayer by Anthony Khouri. The roll was called, all responding to their names except T. J. Allen, J. W. Carson, J. F. Caskey, W. B. Hay, W. A. McClelland, H. B. McMillan, W. M. McNeel.

The minutes of the morning session were read and approved.

The Committees on Presbyterial Records reported:

The records of Central Canada and Rochester Presbyteries were not present. All other reports were adopted and the proper entries made in the various records. The use of loose leaf books for the records of Presbyteries and sessions was authorized.

The following resolution was proposed by T. H. Acheson and adopted:

The Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America expresses the earnest hope and prayer that their Protestant brethren in Ireland shall be sustained and guided in the present critical hour of their country's history; that the efforts of the Roman Catholic Church and the Sein Fein movement to obtain control of Ireland shall be defeated; that our own government shall refrain from any approval of the so-called "Irish Republic;" and that the United Kingdom shall so deal with Ireland as to establish justice and freedom in that land.

The Committee on representation in the Alliance of Reformed Churches reported. The report was adopted and is as follows:

The Committee to consider sub-item "d" of the eighth item of the report on Unfinished Business respectfully report the following conclusions:

1. We find that sub-item "d" is correct, being based on the action of last Synod.
2. We recommend that a committee be appointed to report to next Synod the term of service of our representative in the Council of the Alliance of Reformed Churches holding the Presbyterian System and also in the Western Section of the Executive Committee of the Alliance.

W. J. COLEMAN,
J. M. FOSTER,
W. J. McKNIGHT.

The appointment of the committee provided for in item 2 of the above report was referred to the Committee on nominations.

The Committee on Commemorating the Covenant reported a program of exercises for the next meeting of Synod, which was adopted and is as follows: The request of the Committee that the added statement be left in their hands until next Synod was granted.

The Committee appointed to prepare a program for the observance of the fiftieth anniversary of the signing of the Covenant of 1871, reports as follows:

Friday Evening—Historical Evening

To Preside - - - - - R. H. Martin
Opening Prayer - - William McFarland

1. The Covenants of our Forefathers.....J. M. Foster
   A historical sketch of the National Covenant of Scotland and the Solemn League and Covenant.
2. The Events Leading up to the Covenant of 1871
   A. Kilpatrick
3. The Swearing of the Covenant of 1871.....Isaiah Faris

4. The Benefits of the Covenant Through Fifty Years
J. C. McFeeters

Sabbath Morning

Reading of the Covenant of 1871.....F. M. Foster
Reading of Added Statement.....Walter McCarroll
Sermon by.....R. C. Wylie

Sabbath Evening

Sermon by.....R. J. G. McKnight

Monday Evening

To Preside - - - - - R. M. Young

1. The Position from which to Save the Nation.....J. M. Wylie
2. The Garments of the Church's Strength.....W. J. Coleman
3. The Laborers and the Harvest.....D. H. Elliott
4. The Whole Burnt-offering.....T. M. Slater

Addresses on Friday and Monday evenings are strictly limited to fifteen minutes.

The Committee requests that the added statement be left in their hands until next Synod for such modifications as the development of our national life may require.

R. C. WYLIE,
T. H. ACHESON,
JOHN COLEMAN,
WILLIAM ESLER,
J. W. ANDERSON.

The Committee on Memorial from New Alexandria Session reported. The report was adopted and is as follows:

The following Memorial from the Session of the New Alexandria congregation has been referred to us:

"In view of the fact that a number of valuable religious papers in this country have been forced to suspend publication on account of the shortage of news print paper:

And in view of the prospect that many more will be forced to suspend for the same reason, entailing a great loss to the best interests of the country:

And in view of the fact that there is a tremendous wastage of such paper in the publishing of so-called Sunday newspapers, which are a desecration of God's Holy Day, and a provocation to heaven calculated to bring God's judgments on the land:—

Therefore we, the Session of the New Alexandria congregation, do respectfully memorialize your honorable body to formulate and send to Congress a strong petition that a law be enacted prohibiting the publication and sale of such papers; and that Synod urge all our pastors and people to petition their Congressmen to support such a measure."

We submit the following recommendation:

I. That the petition of the memorialists be granted.

II. That a vigorous protest against the Sunday newspaper in its tremendous waste of material and flagrant violation of God's Holy Day be drawn by our clerk, and after receiving the signature of Moderator and Clerk be sent to our President.

III. That all our congregations be urged to draw petitions after the form of this memorial; circulate them for signature and forward the same to their respective Congressmen.

S. J. JOHNSTON,
D. C. MATHEWS,
R. I. TOMB.

The Secretary of the Forward Movement presented his report, which was adopted as a whole and is as follows:

REPORT OF GENERAL SECRETARY OF THE FORWARD MOVEMENT

It is with pleasure that your secretary of the Forward Movement submits his first Synodical report. The duties of the office were assumed September 1st, 1919. The month of September was spent in meeting with boards and committees in an endeavor to become better acquainted with the work of the Church, and in delivering the Forward Movement message to a number of congregations in the East. Some time was also spent in visiting the offices and studying the Forward Movement methods of other denominations. Early in October headquarters was established at Topeka, Kansas, from which center the work has since been carried on.

Aims

The following aims have been kept in mind in prosecuting the work:

1. Getting ourselves and our people closer to God and to one another.
2. The mining out of the riches of Jesus Christ.
3. The development of the spirit of intercession.
4. A full acknowledgment of our stewardship obligations.
5. The guidance of our young people into God's plan for their life.
6. Providing the Church with an adequate leadership.
7. The development of every congregation into a community power-house.

Efforts

In pursuance of these aims the work has been done along three general lines. First, **Spiritual Resources**, which aims at the development of Spiritual life—including repentance, Bible study and prayer in the individual life, in the family and in the congregation. Second, **Life Work.** This looks to the enlistment of every church member in some definite Christian service, giving special attention to young people endeavoring to aid them in finding their place in life. Third, **Stewardship**, by which an ef-

fort is made to lead our people to the full acknowledgment of their stewardship obligations.

The following will indicate some of the efforts expended to attain these ends.

1990 letters sent to ministers and laymen.
63 letters written to missionaries.
809 letters to young people relative to life work.
165 letters sent to members out of bounds,—or 3,027 in all.
13 weeks of program prepared for congregations.
17 kinds of literature published.
132,975 pages of literature printed.
176,000 pages of literature distributed.
35 pages of material supplied to the Christian Nation.
31 congregations visited.
7 stereopticon lectures given.
90 public addresses delivered.

There has been no desire to duplicate or supplant the work of our Young People's Secretary. The efforts in this department have been merely supplemental.

Responses

The Synod will be interested in knowing whether these efforts have met with encouraging response. The following facts may indicate.

Seventy-five per cent of the congregations are in some degree co-operating in the movement. Seventy-three settled pastors responded sympathetically to the plan of proceedure. Two were frankly unsympathetic and four have not responded at all. 2,386 enrolled as intercessors in 75 congregations. Fifty-four congregations reported 1,933 tithers. The treasurer's books show that there has been a substantial gain in the contributions over last year. Twenty-seven congregations reported Forward Movement committees. Twenty-eight congregations reported their members who are out of bounds. Sixty-four congregations and the College furnished information concerning young people. 784 young people are listed on our files. 447 have pledged themselves to strive to enter into God's plan for their lives. A number of recruits are in sight for the Seminary next fall. A goodly number of high school and college undergraduates are considering the ministry. Still others are preparing for the mission fields. In a number of congregations the pastors have reported unusual blessings during the year.

Some of the most grateful responses have come from members out of bounds. One replied that "In the more than 13 years that we have been out of bounds this is the second time that we have been looked after by an officer of the Church. We certainly appreciate it very much." Another said: "For more than 20 years I have been away from home no one has ever before spent two cents to show any interest in my spiritual welfare excepting the weekly news letter from my mother." The replies received indicate that these members are still loyal to the Church.

Needs

The first great outstanding need is a deep spiritual revival.

We need to diagnose the Church's condition to discover what is hindering her progress. If the application of the principles of Christ is the remedy for the world's ills, is it not the remedy for the Church's ills as well? How effectively can we proclaim this gospel to the world until we have fully applied it in the Church? A missionary in China says: "I believe we Covenanters can easily make the mistake of urging our nation to accept Christ as King when He is still uncrowned in our hearts."

The second great need is the development of **the spirit of brotherly love within the Church.** We have been preaching Christ as the world's peace, yet somehow we have not allowed Him to bring full peace among ourselves. The true Forward Movement spirit cannot and will not prosper where battlements of strife are standing in our congregations or in our ecclesiastical assemblies. These battlements will begin to crumble when we begin to "confess our faults one to another and pray one for another." "There should be no schism in the body" and we "are the body of Christ and members in particular."

The third great need is that of **guiding our young people into their life-work.** We face 25 congregations that have no pastors. In the next five years we will have perhaps as many more unless new workers are supplied. We are appalled at the tremendous waste of young life in the Church in the years gone by. The number that has drifted away is painfully large. How many in the Church are in secular pursuits who might have been Christian leaders we cannot tell. But it takes no prophet to foresee that if the Church is to survive and grow there must be a large enlistment of life in distinctively Christian service.

To this end we must seek a revival of family religion and family instruction. Children must be dedicated to God and trained from birth. More Hannahs will mean more Samuels. Then the Church must **shepherd** her young people and pray. Christ says, "Pray ye the Lord of the harvest." We must pray definitely, persistently and believingly if the laborers are to be thrust forth.

It is also essential that the Church **provide an adequate support** for those entering Christian work. The minister with all his years devoted to securing an education is certainly entitled to a support at least equal to that of the day laborer who cannot read and write.

In this same connection there needs to be some **redistribution of the workers** that we have. Of 136 ministers only 76 are in the pastorate. The geographical location of some of our congregations is such that they can either unite in one or they can operate under a common pastor. The joint pastorate recently effected between Superior and Beulah and which was promoted by Kansas Presbytery, is a practical demonstration of this plan. We think the Church would be justified in enforcing such a provision where it would release a minister that is needed more in some other field.

The fourth great need is **the development of the stewardship principle** among our people. That this spirit is growing is seen by the greatly increased contributions during the past year. This

is a cause for thanksgiving. The Church is still, however, falling below the contribution of the tithe. The stewardship principle is so closely related to the spiritual life that it is needed more as a school for raising men than for raising money. To this end we need a uniform system of finance adopted by all our congregations under a common directorship. We leave it to the Coordinating Committee to recommend what this system shall be.

The fifth need is such a **division and distribution of our Forward Movement Work** that it may be more extensively and efficiently done. One of the difficulties of the General Secretary is that he is obliged to cover in detail such an extensive field that the desired effectiveness is lacking at any one point. We have neither the men nor the money to place a salaried worker at the head of the various departments as larger churches have done. We can only make a more extensive division of the work among the existing boards and committees and presbyterial appointees.

It is important in all our work that we maintain a balanced judgment. On the one hand we must avoid mere religious sentimentality. We must on the other beware of that fatalistic indifference that enables us to complacently watch our congregations dwindle and die. Between these abnormal and subnormal extremes lies the normal church. We are suffering most from a subnormal temperature. We must calmly and determinately seek God's methods for bringing the Church up to its normal state of health and development. In all our endeavor we must ever remember that "It is not by might nor by power, but by my spirit, saith the Lord of Hosts."

The following recommendations are submitted for your consideration:

1. That we keep before our congregations the supreme need of a true religious revival, and that we seek the spirit of repentance within ourselves for our own sakes and in order that we may better lead our people into the riches of Christ.

2. Conscious that division and strife is destructive of the true Forward Movement spirit, we will seek to foster brotherly love among ourselves and in our congregations and thus show the world that the Christ whom we proclaim as the peace of the nations has really brought peace to ourselves.

3. That we make this a year of special intercession to "the Lord of the harvest" in behalf of our young people, that He would lead them out into His plan for their lives.

4. That we record our thanksgiving to God for the spirit of increased giving during the past year and that we conduct a campaign calculated to lead our people to the full enjoyment of their stewardship privileges.

5. That our congregational leaders be urged to keep in touch with their members out of bounds and see that Forward Movement literature is supplied to them.

6. That owing to the many congregations that have no pastors, Presbyteries be directed where geographical locations will

permit to combine small congregations under a single pastorate unless there are evident reasons why such a thing should not be done.

7. That the following general program for the Forward Movement be approved for the coming year:

(a) That the Summer months be given to the Life Service Department, when the Secretary shall visit congregations and Young People's Conventions and correspond with Young People relative to life work.

(b) That September and October be set apart for a special campaign calculated to raise our financial budget culminating in the Every-Member Canvass.

(c) That November and December be devoted to the Spiritual Life Department, laying special emphasis on the work of evangelism, urging a series of meetings in our congregations; especially in small congregations that have no pastors.

(d) That the remainder of the Synodical year be devoted to the departments of Spiritual Life and Life Service giving attention to members out of bounds.

8. That the following persons represent their respective Presbyteries in carrying out the Forward Movement program:

Central Canada—F. E. Allen.
Colorado—Charles T. Carson.
Illinois—O. F. Thompson.
Iowa—George S. Coleman.
Kansas—J. G. McElhinney.
New York—Boyd A. White.
N. B. & N. S.—Thomas McFall.
Ohio—F. F. Reade.
Pacific Coast—T. M. Slater.
Philadelphia—S. J. Johnston.
Pittsburgh—J. Boyd Tweed.
Rochester—A. A. Wylie.

9. That the thanks of the Synod be conveyed to John W. Pritchard for the extended space given to Forward Movement materials in the Christian Nation.

Respectfully submitted,
DELBER H. ELLIOTT,
General Secretary Forward Movement.

The Committee on Discipline reported. The report was considered item by item, amended and adopted as a whole, with the exception of items 3 and 4, b, action upon which was postponed until next Synod. The report is as follows:

COMMITTEE ON DISCIPLINE

The Committee on Discipline would respectfully report:

The following papers have been referred to us:

1. A memorial from the Wilkinsburg session touching the granting of certificates when members have failed to pay pledges or to contribute to the work of the church.

We recommend the following reply: A failure to redeem such pledges, wholly or in part, or to support financially the church renders such members not in good standing and such fact should be noted on their certificates. This decision, however, applies only in cases where the Financial Board has faithfully performed its duties towards such members.

2. A question from a member on the floor of Synod asking an interpretation of the expression "the innocent party" in Chapter 28, Section 7, on marriage.

We recommend the following reply:

The innocent party is the one willing to maintain the marriage relation and who has given no Scriptural cause to the other party to seek for the dissolution of the bond or a separation of the parties.

3. A memorial from the Sterling session asking the Synod to change or modify their ruling in regard to inviting ministers of other denominations to preach in their pulpits.

We recommend the following answer: We see no reason for a change or a modification in the law of the church on this subject adopted May 26th, 1913, namely: That the action of the Synod of 1877 be reaffirmed with the understanding that it prohibits ministers of other denominations from occupying our pulpits in the regular preaching of the Word.

4. Two questions submitted by the Kansas Presbytery.

(a) Is membership in the American Legion consistent with the law of our church?

We submit the following reply: Since an oath or pledge to uphold and defend the Constitution of the United States of America is required of all members, membership in this American Legion is inconsistent with the law of our church.

(b) Can a member of the church consistently serve on the jury without any qualification of the oath, on the ground that jury duty is in the same category as military service?

We submit the following reply:

Synod does not consider jury duty to be in the same category as military service, and therefore does not permit jury service without the modification of the oath.

5. A memorial from a pastor of the church relative to the use of the individual cup in the Lord's Supper.

We recommend the following reply: We see no reason for a change in the position of the church on this subject.

Respectfully submitted,

S. J. JOHNSTON,
J. B. WILLSON,
G. A. EDGAR,
J. E. HUHEEY,
R. I. TOMB.

J. C. Slater and J. C. Elder were granted leave of absence from the remaining sessions of Synod on account of the death of Mrs. J. R. Steele of New Alexandria, Pa., and were instructed to convey the sympathy of Synod to Mr. Steele.

The Committee on Traveling Fund reported. The report was amended, adopted and is as follows:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAVELING FUND

Your Committee on Traveling Fund would respectfully report:

The number of delegates participating in the fund.....		140
Quota in full from congregations.....		$3,882.50
Balance from 1919 Traveling Fund.....		281.34
		$4,163,84
Expenses of Delegates.....	$6,995.84	
Credit Amt. Central Can. Presbytery.....	6.87	
	$7,002.62	

Total deficit—$2,838.78.
Deficit per member—$20.28.

We recommend that no traveling funds be paid to members of this court until the last session, unless such members be excused by vote of the Synod.

Respectfully submitted,
ROBERT M. YOUNG.

Synod took recess until 7:45 P. M. Prayer by Elder Charles McElhinney.

TUESDAY EVENING

Same Place, 7:45 o'clock.

Synod reconvened, was called to order by the Moderator, and opened with prayer by Elder W. J. McMillan.

The roll was called. The following did not respond to their names: A. M. Allen, T. J. Allen, W. B. Hay, S. J. Johnston, W. B. Keys, J. H. Walkinshaw and T. H. Wilson.

J. C. McCandless, F. J. and T. J. Henderson were excused from further attendance.

The report of the Committee on Home Missions was presented and taken up by items for consideration. In considering the report as a whole, J. C. McFeeters was heard on behalf of the Jewish Mission; G. A. Edgar for the Southern

Mission; W. W. Carithers for the Indian Mission, giving part of his time to Elder Yellowfish; and Robert Park for the Domestic Mission. An amendment to the report that the appointment of a Home Mission Secretary be referred to the Central Board was laid on the table until next Synod. The report was adopted as a whole and is as follows:

COMMITTEE ON HOME MISSIONS

Your Committee on Home Missions would respectfully report that the following papers or items have been referred to it:

1. The Report of the Central Board of Missions.
2. The Report of the Jewish Mission Board.
3. The appointment of a Secretary of Home Missions and Young People's Work.
4. Devising a plan for placing Selma Mission and congregation under the same management.
5. Relieving Pittsburgh Presbytery of the support of the Syrian congregation of Pittsburgh.
6. The resignation of E. K. Patton from the Central Board.

Report of Central Board

1. We recognize the increasing difficulty of the Central Board in the oversight and support of weak congregations and we commend the Church for its more liberal support of Domestic Missions during the past year. Concerning the Indian Mission: We note the spirit of unrest among the Indians and difficulties that have confronted the missionaries because of indifference, and the intemperance and false religion due to the native drug, and we urge the church to heed their plea for prayers for God's blessing. With reference to the Southern Mission we note the large enrollment and the large number being instructed in Domestic Science and Manual Training which is so valuable among the negroes. But we note with special gratitude an increase among the pupils attending our church services and the effort in personal evangelism conducted by some of the former teachers.

2. With reference to the Jewish Mission we are encouraged by the optimism and faith of the missionaries and their persistent efforts to bring the gospel light to blinded Israel. Although there ha sbeen nothing spectacular in their work, yet it is worthy of our heartfelt commendation.

3. The appointment of a Home Mission Secretary and Young People's Secretary. We realize that the oversight and encouragement of weak congregations is a matter of grave concern for the whole church, and that the full time of a home mission secretary could be well employed. But in view of the fewness of our ministers in the pastorate and of the added financial drain upon the church from every quarter we do not deem it advisable to appoint an additional secretary at this time but would recommend

to the Secretary of the Forward Movement that he give as much time as possible to this in connection with his other duties. Also that we commend the Secretary of Young People's Work for his efficiency and energy in carrying on his work, but since the correspondence is so large and likely to be larger, that, if it is possible, some of the stenographic work be done in the office of the Forward Movement, we would so recommend.

4. With reference to a plan for placing Selma Mission and congregation under the same management, that the Illinois Presbytery request Synod to appoint the Central Board as a commission which shall have oversight of the Selma congregation.

5. That Synod approve of the request of the Pittsburgh Presbytery that the Syrian congregation of Pittsburgh receive an appropriation from the Domestic Mission Fund.

We recommend:

1. That in view of the encroachments of the world and the problem of Domestic Missions that pastors, elders, Sabbath School superintendents, teachers and people be urged to give greater effort and a larger proportion of time to personal missionary effort with the object in view of building up the Sabbath School and thus training the Young People of the community for Christ: That bulletin boards, tracts, books of the church library and various legitimate methods of advertising be used in the work of evangelizing, instructing and building up the church. That pastors be encouraged to conduct communicant's classes in order to draw, encourage and teach those who may be interested and as a result of personal instruction and encouragement may be led to unite with the church.

That Presbyteries which do not already have a home mission secretary be asked to appoint one, and that he be urged to consider his office of prime importance not merely in organizing new mission stations where there is a call for such, but that he be encouraged to take a greater oversight of vacant congregations in working with the secretary of the Forward Movement to give these congregations some preaching, either himself, or by the suggestion of other settled ministers: That this be done a part of the time when supplies cannot be secured, and that he help them with the planning and promoting of mission work in their own community. And that sessions be asked to be liberal in releasing and encouraging their pastors in promoting such work, remembering that they should do to others as they would wish others should do to them.

2. We recommend that in connection with this report J. C. McFeeters be heard on behalf of the Jewish Mission; G. A. Edgar on behalf of the Southern Mission; W. W. Carithers on behalf of the Indian Mission; and that Robert Park be heard on behalf of the Domestic Mission. That ten minutes be given to each.

3. That W. J. Coleman, R. C. Wylie, R. C. Reed and A. C. Coulter be elected their own successors and E. L. McKnight to take the place of E. K. Patton on the Central Board. That F. M.

Wilson, M. M. Pearce and R. W. Duncan be elected their own successors and S. J. Johnston be added to the Jewish Mission Board.

F. E. ALLEN,
J. M. WYLIE,
E. L. McKNIGHT,
JOHN W. ANDERSON,
J. F. CASKEY.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE CENTRAL BOARD OF MISSIONS

The Central Board has distributed the supplement to the salaries of pastors of congregations receiving aid according to the recommendations of last Synod. We have also made the following adjustments in salaries in cases where the congregation did not bring up their pastor's salary to the minimum. Cincinnati received $200.00; Slippery Rock, $200.00; Rehoboth, $120.00 additional; Washington (Ia.), $100.00 additional; Cedarville, $250.00 additional.

At our meeting of March 15th the corresponding secretary was instructed to send out the following communication to all aid-receiving congregations:

"Because of the greatly increased cost of living, also because of the peculiar expenses incident to the ministerial profession, the Central Board of Missions earnestly recommends all our aid-receiving congregations to do their full share to bring the salaries of their pastors up to the minimum established by Synod. * * * We call careful attention to the fact that the raising of the minimum naturally tends to increase the number of the aid-receiving congregations, also to the fact that the Domestic Mission Fund is now overdrawn more than $3,000.

It is quite important, for these different reasons, that every congregation applying for aid should give special attention and effort to three well known methods of church finance, all of which have been approved by Synod:

The giving of the tithe of all our net income;

The every-member canvass;

And the use of the envelope in our weekly offerings.

Every member of the congregation should have his box of envelopes. The Board herewith gives notice that these three points will be made prominent when the requests from the aid-receiving congregations are presented at the next meeting of the Mission Conference."

We would urge upon the church deep loyalty to our Domestic Mission work. It behooves us to give most liberally to the support of these smaller congregations. A few comparisons may help us to see that we have not done too much in their behalf. During the ten years 1910-1919 we have contributed, in our congregations and societies, and as individuals $35,997.07 for the Southern Mission and during the same period of ten years we have contributed in our congregations, societies and as individuals $59,682.38 for Domestic Missions. That is, for the conduct-

ing of a Mission School among the colored, seventy-five per cent of which is purely educational, we have contributed on an average of $3,599.70 a year, and for the sustaining of about forty of our weaker congregations an average of $5,968.23 a year. Or, to take another comparison, for the past nine years we have expended $59,876.15 on the Cyprus field alone, and we have contributed, in the past ten years, in our congregations, societies and as individuals, for our needy fields at home $59,682.38. We have expended in Cyprus an average of $6,652.90 a year, and contributed in the home field for forty different fields an average of $5,968.23 a year.

There are several reasons why we should give liberal support to these smaller congregations. First, they are at times sources of large income for the church. We get large sums from bequests that, no doubt, would be lost to the church if the small, needy congregation was not aided. Recently a bequest of $15,000 was left the church by Joseph G. McConnell of Belle Center congregation, and a bequest of $16,000 by Robert Kyle of Pine Creek congregation. Second, these congregations, after a period of help, often become self-sustaining. Of the 50 congregations receiving aid in 1910 nine had become self-sustaining in 1919 and only three have been disorganized. And now this year 13 congregations have become self-sustaining, making 22 in the past 11 years. Did it not pay to invest in these fields. Third, from these aid-receiving congregations often come the future ministers and missionaries of the church. Many of our present ministers and missionaries have come from such congregations. Fourth, then we must remember that each of these congregations is a missionary center of the whole gospel.

We want to thank the church for its liberal response to our appeal for funds. Our expenses have been $14,386.30. We have received $15,341.37. We have on hand $2,222.38. We request $25,000 for the coming year.

Indian Mission

During the past year the nature of the work at the Indian Mission has been the preaching of the gospel, Sabbath School work, visiting in the homes of the Indians, ministering to their bodies in sickness and out of the Word of Life. The Missionaries have tried to make up in some measure, in the homes, the lack of religious instruction in the public schools.

The superintendent reports that there are several forces antagonistic to the progress of the work. Many of the young women have married unbelieving husbands and it has made it very difficult for them to attend the services. That the power of the present and material things rather than of the eternal and unseen hold sway in the Indian life. The unrest that is in all the world is felt among the Indians and manifests itself in his own peculiar ways of lawlessness. The greatest force for evil seems to be the use of peyote, to which our attention was called last year. This custom is becoming more prevalent and is spreading among the tribes toward the north. It is the general agreement among all the missionaries to the Indians that the work

has been slipping back. The one great encouragement of the work is the very large number of children in the congregation, of school age and below school age. We urge upon the whole church earnest, faithful intercessory prayer before the throne in behalf of our workers and these people. The gospel is able to save, and these peoples are not beyond its redeeming power. A gospel that can make a David and a Yellowfish, brethren noble and beloved in our council can make others as true and as faithful.

Caring for the influenza cases has been a great drain upon the strength of our missionaries. Miss Ellen Wilson, who has been a faithful worker for years has been compelled to withdraw from the work. Miss Inez Wickerham had to return home for a rest on May first. Valuable help has been given during the winter by several unpaid workers who have made their home at the mission, Elder R. J. Allen and his daughters, May and Iva. Mrs. Paul Coleman is at present doing valuable voluntary work in the mission activities.

The expenses for the year have been $6,284.35. The receipts have been $6,969.32. The amount on hand is $2,202.89. The request for this mission is $6,000.

Southern Mission

Knox Academy opened on September 29, 1919. At Knox there were 563 pupils enrolled, 175 boys and 358 girls. At East Selma or Little Knox, 117; at Pleasant Grove, 75, making a total of 775 under instruction in the several branches of the school. Though there was free tuition in the public schools still the applications in the lower grades were more than could be accommodated. A great number were refused admission. There have been about 100 girls instructed in sewing and cooking and 43 boys instructed in manual training. The memorizing of Scripture verses and catechism has been maintained as a regular feature in all the schools. At Knox the Sabbath School lesson has been made a part of the school curriculum. There has been a marked increase in the number of pupils who have attended the preaching services this year. One girl from the High School and one boy from the sixth grade have united with the church. The superintendent reports "the deportment of the pupils for the year has been generally very good, and a spirit of harmony between teachers and pupils has prevailed."

The Board has directed a more definite missionary program for the past year. For this purpose Miss Hays, formerly the teacher of the eighth grade and Mrs. Senegal, formerly a teacher of the first grade have been employed as city missionaries. These women have visited in the homes of the community, read the Bible, prayed with and cared for the sick. At least nine family altars have been established by their efforts. Naturally such work chiefly reaches the mothers. Four mothers' organizations have been formed in as many different sections, one meeting each week. One union mothers' meeting was held at which 150 mothers were present. Mrs. Robb and Mrs. Craig will carry on the work during the summer months. We hope that this work will

have a marked effect upon the spiritual life and growth of the Selma congregation.

Two old buildings on one side of the school property at Knox have been torn down and a larger space provided for a playground. Two other cottages have been moved and combined into one to provide additional quarters for the white teachers. The total cost of this work together with the furnishings for the home has been $2,455.54. This, together with other repairs within and without the school buildings necessary for their preservation and appearance, together with the increase in teachers salaries has made an overdraft of $5,060.04.

We regret the resignation of Miss Lola Weir, who for four years has been an efficient teacher in the High School department and who carried on her work with enthusiastic missionary zeal.

The offer of C. B. Curtis, as to turning over the Beloit Mission to the care of this Board has been declined for several reasons. There was not the surety that tne funds promised could be given before five years and if given would not cover the expense of operating according to our standards of maintaining a school. It is a rural community and necessitates the conducting of a boarding school, a responsibility that we do not care to assume. It seems utterly impracticable to receive into our church a congregation from another denomination when that congregation has expressed no desire for such a change and has not been instructed in our doctrines.

We have expended for this work $16,903.87. We have received $12,642.85. We have an overdraft of $5,060.04. We request $15,000 for this mission.

The following have been appointed to represent the Board on the floor of Synod: Robert Park, for the Domestic Mission; G. A. Edgar, for the Southern Mission; W. W. Carithers, for the Indian Mission.

The time has expired for which W. J. Coleman, R. C. Wylie, R. C. Reed and A. C. Coulter were elected to this Board and their successors should be chosen.

We request that E. L. McKnight be added to the Board.

ROBERT PARK, President.

REPORT OF JEWISH MISSION BOARD

In the window of our Jewish Mission building, located at Fifth and Catharine Streets, Philadelphia, in the heart of the Jewish section of the city, appear these words: "For there is one God and one Mediator between God and men, the Man Christ Jesus."

To the members of your Board the truth of those words has seemed to justify the existence of the mission, even in days when the evidence of the success of the work was not so apparent as it now is. The great fact of human life is that we have to do with God, Jehovah, and no man cometh unto God but by Jesus Christ. Surely the world, blessed by faith in the Saviour, owes something to this covenant people "to whom pertain the

adoption; and the covenants, and the promises," even though it still be true that for the time "blindness is happened unto Israel." Until this verse is erased from Scripture, or else the glorious promises to Israel are fulfilled, we are assured the Covenanter church will not be content to do less than it is now doing for the Jews. Even this passage of Scripture greeting the eyes of all who pass by—illuminated in the evenings—is some word of testimony and appeal to this estranged people, recreant from the covenants and yet beloved for the fathers' sake.

The past year, however, has been a good one. The direction which was given to the work, under the experienced advice of Mr. Blair a few years ago, has been vindicating itself ever since. That is, attention is being given especially to the women and children. Jewish men are hard to reach. This has been proven again and again, and is the confession of most missions to the Jews. During last year we secured for a time the services of the Rev. Joel Levy for several evenings to see if the men of the community would respond to an opportunity to hear the message of the gospel. Not many came, and the work was suspended, and we continued our usual lines of work with more assurance that we are doing what we best can do in this enterprise.

Miss Annie Forsythe and Miss Emma McFarland continue their devoted labors. Their work at the mission is directed especially to the Sabbath School, the Mothers' Meeting, the Boys' Class, the prayer meetings on Wednesday and Friday evenings, and the Loyal Temperance Legion. These meetings have proven themselves most effective and successful, and are therefore being continued. The attendance varies greatly. Sometimes as many as sixty-five are present, sometimes only ten or twelve. It is not often, however, that the attendance falls so low as the latter figure, and usually there are as many present as our missionaries can well take care of in the meetings. Some of the young people of the Philadelphia churches assist regularly in the Sabbath School, to their own profit and the help of the mission. Miss Anna Thompson of the First Church, and Miss Margaret Wilson have rendered especially valuable service during the year. Miss Thompson was secured by the Board during the temporary absence of Miss McFarland.

One of the important features of the work is in visiting the people of the neighborhood and in holding personal interviews in the mission. Our missionaries record 913 personal visits during the year and 255 interviews with inquirers at the mission. Many of the children and the mothers express faith in Jesus and their belief in the gospel message. As the children, however, are young, and mothers cannot well disregard the wishes of their husbands, none have been received this year into our churches in Philadelphia. We believe, however, that the "light of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ" has shined into more than one heart through the service of the mission, and we believe such work is preparing the way for that faith which will yet be the glory of Israel.

Special mention should be made of the educational work

which Miss McFarland has inaugurated, in teaching a class in English for those unable to understand our language.

Gifts of various kinds have been received from many of the Women's Missionary Societies, which have greatly aided in the work.

The receipts from all sources this year were $2,449.20. The disbursements were $2,837.00 This leaves us with a balance of $1,288.10. This is $387.80 less than last year, but, nevertheless, will be sufficient to meet our expenses during the months until the fall when offerings come in larger amounts.

For the coming year we ask the same appropriation as formerly—$3,500.00.

The time for which F. M. Wilson, M. M. Pearce and R. W. Duncan were elected has expired, and their successors should be chosen.

The Rev. S. J. Johnston has recently been received into the Philadelphia Presbytery, and we would request that he be added to the membership of the Board. J. C. McFeeters has been appointed to represent the mission on the floor of Synod.

Respectfully submitted,

McLEOD M. PEARCE, Secretary.

Synod adjourned to meet tomorrow morning at 9:00 o'clock, W. W. Carithers leading in prayer.

WEDNESDAY FORENOON

Same Place, 9:00 o'clock.

Synod met according to adjournment, was called to order by the Moderator and constituted with prayer by Walter McCarroll. The roll was called, all responding to their names except A. M. Allen, T. J. Allen, Alfred Graham and J. M. Wright.

The minutes of last evening's session were read and approved.

The Committee on National Reform reported. The report was taken up item by item for adoption.

S. J. Houston and R. M. Downie were heard as the representatives of the Association. After discussion the report was adopted as a whole and is as follows:

REPORT ON NATIONAL REFORM

Your Committee on National Reform would respectfully report:

Two papers have been referred to us; one, the financial report of the Association, the other, the report of the Covenanter Members of the Executive Committee of the National Reform Association. In these reports are embodied many things of more than passing interest. In this, one of the most momentous hours since the dawn of civilization, it is worthy of attention that this association views with clear vision the condition of the times. More than this, it proposes those principles of morality and righteousness, which, if applied by individuals, society, commonwealths and nations will bring harmony, love, peace and brotherhood out of existing unrest, class hatred and strife. In the final analysis, it proposes and advocates those principles that will bring the nation into rightful relationship with Jesus Christ, the Governor among the nations.

We note, as previously arranged, the Third World's Christian Citizenship Conference was held in Pittsburgh during armistice week. The Kingship of Christ over the nations was the central truth around which all other truths there discussed revolved. This met with universal approval by those there assembled. That the impressions of the conference were deepening and far-reaching is manifest by the comment of the press.

We also note, the association during the past year has made marvelous growth in all its departments. Its work has grown in such proportions as to necessitate more room. This is also seen in manning the field with more laborers.

We observe the association is alert to the present day evils that imperil life in all its phases. Not only is it alert to these, it moreover accepts the challenge flaunted by satanic forces. Against them it is marching and will never beat retreat until

their hydra head is crushed; and they no more their slimy trail shall drag through this fair land. Especially is it warring against Mormonism, the enemies of the Sabbath, the divorce evil, that destroyer of homes; and those who seek to drive the Bible from the public schools of the land.

The industrial problem is one of the most difficult of the hour. The Association, however, offers a solution of the problem. It says to capital and labor there is but one solution of the problem; both must make a practical application of the principles and teachings of Christ. The Association's work, therefore, in this respect, is commendable. It is to be commended for the moral righteousness it manifests in national life; and for the work it is doing looking toward world-wide reconstruction, based upon the Basic Principles of the Prince of Peace.

We submit the following recommendations:

First. That Synod approve of J. R. Wylie, A. A. Samson, J. S. Martin and J. S. McGaw in continuance in the work of the Association.

Second. That our people be encouraged to give their hearty support to the Christian Statesman, the official organ of the Association.

Third. That the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars be named as a guide by which our people are to be governed in the support of National Reform; and that the first Sabbath of November be named as the day for taking the offering.

Fourth. That R. M. Downey and Samuel Houston be heard in connection with this report.

(Signed) R. W. PIPER,
T. H. ACHESON,
E. G. RUSSELL,
T. L. FARIS,
EVAN W. JONES.

REPORT OF THE COVENANTER MEMBERS OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE NATIONAL REFORM ASSOCIATION

It is with profound gratitude to God and an earnest desire that He should have all the glory for what has been achieved by the Association since our last report to this Synod that we herewith submit the record of another year's work.

Third World's Christian Citizenship Conference

The work of the year has been crowded with important events, chief among them the holding of the **Third World's Christian Citizenship Conference** which was truly a world gathering as well as a distinctively Christian assemblage. On the platform and among the delegates were representatives—not a few of whom were state officials—of forty-one different countries. The list follows: Siberia, Syria, Spain, Czecho-Slovakia, Albania, Greece, Italy, Persia, Bulgaria, Roumania, Russia, Liberia, Africa, India, Norway, Sweden, Denmark, Holland, France, England, Wales, Ireland, New Zealand, Australia, Poland, Peru,

Hawaii, Uruguay, Guatemala, Honduras, Brazil, Chile, Haiti, Ecuador, Mexico, China, Japan, Korea, Alaska, Canada and the United States. Perhaps never before in the history of the world have representatives from so many and such widely separated countries been assembled, at least not for the purpose for which those in attendance at this Conference assembled—that of the interests of distinctively **Christian** citizenship.

A few brief estimates of the Conference and its worth from distinguished individuals and editors of some of the journals of the leading evangelical denominations may not be amiss here.

It was certainly a great success and I wish to thank you for giving me a place in it. **Dr. Charles E. Jefferson,** New York, N. Y.

I thank you for letting me share it with you—one of the greatest conferences ever held in this country. **Dr. Charles Stelzle,** New York, N. Y.

My memory of Pittsburgh is sweet and pleasant. God bless you and your work. **Dr. James A. Francis,** Los Angeles, Cal.

The Conference was the wonderfully successful result of the most noble application of Christian principle and Christian effort to human uplift. **Elisha K. Kane,** Manufacturer, Kane, Pa.

The greatness and importance of the Conference loom larger as I turn over in my mind the different meetings. I shall certainly bring the findings to the attention of analagous organizations in the Czecho-Slovak Republic. **Dr. Joseph W. Bren,** Czecho-Slovakia.

It was surely a great Conference. The Cardiff Citizens Union will gladly help your propaganda and will prayerfully speed a world-wide revival to crown Him Lord of all. **John Thomas,** Secretary Citizen's Union, Cardiff, Wales.

It is going to have a very far-reaching effect. We cannot begin to speak of all the strong features of this vast assemblage. In the interests of agitation and education the value of the Conference is almost immeasurable. **Editor United Presbyterian.**

That great and beautiful center, known to Pittsburghers as Schenley, has never called from the ends of the earth a more able array of great minds and strong hearts than came as speakers and hearers to the World's Christian Citizenship Conference. **Editor Presbyterian Banner.**

Never before, perhaps, in the history of the race has there been brought together upon one platform talent so widely representative to discuss problems so diversified, so timely and so momentous as in the Third World's Christian Citizenship Conference. With more than one hundred speakers, representing forty nations, it was a world conference in fact as well as name. **National Enquirer,** Indianapolis.

The fifty thousand or more in attendance at this Conference where were read the eight world commission reports—on Intemperance, the Lord's Day, the Family, Social Purity, Mormonism, Immigration, Labor and Industry, and Public Education—and where were delivered a hundred and more public addresses,

could not well fail to be impressed with the idea that, as one religious editor present puts it, "The real leaders of the race are joining hands with God to bring in the reign of righteousness."

Nor was the benefit of the Conference by any means confined to those in attendance. Readers of the daily press in all parts of America were familiarized to a greater or less degree with the uplifting utterances of the Conference speakers.

Our Association was requested by the Conference to arrange for a similar world assembly within five years and urged meantime to seek the co-ordination of all organizations in any way similar to our own in other countries, on the principles of the Plan of Action adopted, with the view of federating all such organizations that now exist, or may be formed, into an International Reform Association.

Christian Public Education.

In keeping with our custom for many years past we have this year sought to have the second Lord's Day in September observed as a Day of Prayer for Schools, in the preaching by pastors of appropriate sermons and in the distribution of apropos literature.

At this present time we have, and have had for more than a month past, four of our employees laboring in Illinois to have the Constitutional Convention of that State now in session insert a clause in the new Constitution, that will safeguard the reading of the Bible in the schools of the State and thus redeem the fair name of the Commonwealth whose Supreme Court ten years ago decided it was unconstitutional to read the Book of books in the schools.

Christian Industrialism

In view of the industrial unrest, special attention began to be given last year to the industrial situation. Care has been taken to make plain that the Association is committed to no particular policy other than the practice of the principles of Christianity by both employer and employe. Since the first of June, 1919, 300 addresses have been made by the one who devoted his time chiefly to this work. These have been principally in Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Ohio, Indiana, Tennessee, Kentucky, Georgia and Alabama, not a few of them having been given before large conventions and other public gatherings.

The Anti-Mormon Crusade

As the years pass the conflict between Mormonism and Americanism, between this Pagan religion and Christianity, deepens and sharpens. Years ago the Mormon hierarchs boasted they would force their way to acceptance into political, commercial and ecclesiastical circles. In the first two they have come to be accepted through fear, or desire for pelf and power. And also in too many quarters they are beginning to find acceptance in the last. Ours it is specially to warn the Christian public against them and their subtleties.

We will still keep before Congress the joint-resolution calling for an anti-polygamy amendment to our federal constitution and still keep urging the general public to besiege their Senators

and Representatives to use their good offices to have it passed; still keep sending out annually tens of thousands of pages of anti-Mormon literature all over the land; still keep devoting a department in our official journal, the Christian Statesman, and occasionally in other Christian and even in secular journals, to aid in enlightening and moving to action their readers; and still keep delivering messages by the hundreds, even thousands, upon the public platform calculated to stir to action.

Within the past month we have furnished State and County Superintendents of public schools in the various states of the union with the World's Conference Commission Report on Mormonism to put on their guard against the wiles of the crafty leaders of this system the delegates to the National Educational Association Convention this month in Salt Lake City.

Moral Reforms

While the extraordinary amount of work necessary to prepare properly for the World's Conference prevented our taking as active a part as we otherwise would have done in behalf of various moral reforms, yet the output of the Conference in World Commission reports on the Lord's Day, Temperance, Social Purity and the Family, relating as the last did specially to marriage and divorce, we are persuaded did, and in the wide circulation of these reports will continue to do, more for the success of these reforms than anything else we could have done. At present we are giving special attention to the effort to preserve the Sabbath.

Fundamental Principles

Perhaps more than in any recent year have we this past year stressed the fundamental principles of the Association. This we did before a Committee of the Peace Conference in Paris; on the World's Conference platform and in the World's Conference literature; in the columns of the Christian Statesman; in the addresses in pulpits and on the public platform, and in the distribution and sale of literature, including specially the book recently published entitled, "The Collapse of Christless Civilizations." Moreover, as usual, this has also been done in the discussion of concrete moral problems. Within the past month we have sent every United States Senator and Representative, every member of the Cabinet and President Wilson a copy of a special article calling upon them to take counsel of the Holy Spirit in all their work as public officials.

Publicity

During the year 2,000,000 pages of tracts have been distributed by mail and at least 1,000,000 more given out at institutes and conferences. The secular newspapers have been utilized for announcing special meetings, institutes, conferences, etc., as well as to advertise the Third World's Christian Citizenship Conference. The Institute at Winona Lake was reported by a chain of papers in the Central West.

The seven local Pittsburgh newspapers gave much space to preliminary notices of the World's Conference and daily used articles on the Conference while it was in session. Two hundred

and sixty different dailies of the Pittsburgh district each took a page of illustrated plate matter on our work; one hundred and fifty others printed articles for us and through the Associated, United and International Press, nation-wide, indeed world-wide, publicity has been given our cause.

Ten different articles were sent to each of two hundred thirty-three religious papers regarding our Association and its work and by them given wide publicity.

Probably the most valuable publicity for the Association was that which was sent direct to individuals, consisting of selected lists of ministers, every college president in the land, most of the social workers of the country, all of our contributors, all of the inter-denominational agencies, all of the church foreign and home mission boards, hundreds of missionaries and many other Christian workers.

Institutes and Other Public Meetings

A series of two-day institutes has been inaugurated. These it is planned to hold beginning in the early Fall at the rate of three a week by each team of workers. Already arrangements have been perfected for our usual Christian Citizenship Institute at Winona Lake, Indiana, and, in addition, for a hearing for our cause of a full hour each day for the ten successive days of the great Bible Conference there.

Furthermore, we have already a contract with the Hon. Sam Small for a year's work on the platform, beginning the first of September next. Dr. Clinton N. Howard, who has just concluded a series of addresses under our auspices, is under contract to speak for us at intervals during the year to come. These, with the Hon. Frank J. Cannon and a score of others who are giving their full time, or at least the greater portion of it to our work, constitute a veritable force of Christian reformers.

Letters, Literature and Addresses

In addition to the more than 10,000,000 pages of literature issued within the past year, there have been delivered by our speakers no fewer than 3,500 addresses to audiences totaling on a conservative estimate more than three million people. There have also gone out from the office 110,000 letters, 10,000 of which were separately dictated and the remainder circular letters.

Enlarged Quarters

Such has been the development of our work that we have been compelled to seek enlarged quarters. We now have practically an entire floor—the fourth—of the building we have occupied for many years. This has been specially fitted up with a large suite of offices where we are now carrying on our work systematically, in different departments, and so far as possible to date a man in charge of each department. Among other rooms, we have a large stock room with thousands of dollars worth of up-to-date literature, a large library room used for Board and Committee meetings and a specially large working room for typists and stenographers.

The Christian Statesman

As the official organ of our Association and its work, the Christian Statesman is of prime importance. And as first things deserve first place this journal is now having our best time, thought and energy.

Its circulation, now in the tens of thousands, is constantly increasing. We plan soon not only to enlarge the journal but also to increase its circulation to at least 100,000 which will put it on a self-sustaining basis. To accomplish this it is proposed to expend on the Statesman alone $100,000 within the next two years. Already we have two experts at work on this development plan—one on the subject matter and makeup of the paper, and the other on circulation methods. The first of October next, shortly in advance of the enlargement of the Statesman, the subscription price will be increased to two dollars the year.

Finance

As the Treasurer's report will show our receipts and expenditures during the past year have been much beyond those of any former year. Our budget for the year to come totals $200,000.00. Owing to the exceptional opportunities to develop our work in this psychological hour in the world's history; to the fact that plans are in operation for internationalizing it; and especially in view of the effort to enlarge the Christian Statesman and increase its circulation and thus multiply many times the effectiveness of our work, we ask that Synod shall name the sum of $25,000 for the coming year as the amount to be contributed by this church which has so honored herself in the past in the support of the Association and its work and shall also give its approval of the appointment of A. A. Samson, James S. McGaw, J. R. Wylie and James S. Martin to labor under its auspices for the ensuing year.

(Signed) By the Eighteen Covenanter Members of the Committee.

FINANCIAL REPORT NATIONAL REFORM ASSOCIATION

December 1st, 1918, December 1st, 1919

December 1, 1918, balance		$ 11,486.12
Receipts		
Chas. E. Temple, Brockwayville, Pa., bequest	$ 95.00	
Sale of literature	179.79	
Sale "Christless Civilization"	258.59	
Dividends from invested funds	930.46	
Christian Statesman subscriptions	3,043.93	
Individuals and congregations, general work	16,689.70	
Secretaries in field, general work	10,547.20	
Secretaries in field, anti-Mormon work	37,752.62	
Third World's Christian Citizenship Conference	31,352.86	
		100,850.15
		$112,336.27

Expenditures

General Work—		
Christian Statesman	$ 8,004.01	
Office postage and supplies	2,616.92	
Office salaries and rent	6,184.51	
Salaries field secretaries	12,716.54	
Expenses field secretaries	2,594.99	
Automobile	215.63	
Anti-Mormon Crusade—		
Salaries of workers	8,671.96	
Expenses of workers	3,950.36	
Postage, printing and supplies	1,972.96	
Third World's Christian Citizenship Conference—		
Salaries of workers	15,261.25	
Expenses, supplies, etc.	3,162.22	
Publicity	6,559.92	
Printing	6,117.42	
Rentals and hotels	5,567.38	
Expenses of speakers	10,400.31	
		93,996.38
December 1, 1919, balance		$ 18,339.89

Assets

Keystone Driller Co., common stock	144 shares
Wellington Mines Co., common stock	200 shares
Liberty Bonds	$150.00

JAMES S. TIBBY, Treasurer.

I hereby certify that I have made a thorough audit of the books and papers of the National Reform Association for the fiscal year ended November 30th, 1919, and as the result of same, I assert that the cash balances at beginning and end of the term and receipts and disbursements, in aggregate, as shown above, are correct.

H. A. STOUT, Public Auditor.

Synod took recess until 2:00 P. M., Elder John W. Anderson leading in prayer.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON

Same Place, 2:00 o'clock.

Synod reconvened, was called to order by the Moderator, and opened with prayer by Elder J. H. McBurney.

The roll was called. The following failed to respond to their names: R. J. Cathcart, R. M. Downie and J. M. Henning.

The minutes of the morning session were read and approved.

The report on Unfinished Business was taken from the table.

Item 29. The Committee on Permanent Order of Business reported. The report was adopted and is as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PERMANENT ORDER OF BUSINESS

The Committee appointed to prepare a plan to be adopted as a permanent order of business presents the following recommendations:

I. That the proceedings of the first three days of each Session shall consist of the organization of Synod, the presentation of reports and papers requiring reference to committees, and the report on Unfinished Business. All matters properly claiming the attention of Synod should be presented according to the following proposed order:

1. A sermon by the retiring Moderator, Constitution of the Court, Completing the Roll of Members, the Election of officers, adoption of the report on Devotional Exercises.
2. Reports of Boards: Synod's Board of Trustees, Foreign Missions, Domestic Missions, Jewish Missions, Church Erection, Control.
3. Reports of Boards, Committees and Treasurers; Sustentation, Superintendents of the Theological Seminary, Witness, Temperance, Women's Association, all Treasurers.
4. Reports of Committees, etc., requiring reference: Reformed Presbyterian Members of the National Reform Executive Committee, Synod's Financial Agent for National Reform, Unfinished Business.
5. Reports of Boards, etc. Corporators of Geneva College, Trustees of Geneva College, Mission Conference, Presbyteries.
6. Miscellaneous Reports: Report of Secretary of Young People's Work, Evangelistic Work or Secret Societies, Co-ordinating Committee, Secretary of the Forward Movement. Papers may be presented at each of the above meetings.
7. Reports of Committees: On Bible Reading Folders, Psalmody or Systematic Beneficence, The Sabbath or Sabbath Schools, Change of Oath, Signs of the Times.
8. Reports of Committees, etc. On Discipline, National Reform, Traveling Fund, Stated Clerk of Synod, Special Committees.
9. Reports of Committees: On Foreign Missions, on Home Missions.
10. Reports of Committees: On Theological Seminary and Geneva College, Supplies, Records of Presbyteries.

11. Reports of Committees: On Finance, Foreign Correspondence, Miscellaneous Matters.

II. Matters not finally disposed of when presented regularly according to the docket should receive further consideration at such times as will not interfere with the adopted order of business.

III. Miscellaneous matters introduced the first three days of Synod, unless they can be disposed of without discussion, shall either be placed on the docket or referred to appropriate committees.

IV. The Clerk of Synod, in co-operation with J. W. Pritchard so long as he is willing to take part in the work, shall prepare and have published each year, previous to the meeting of Synod, a Blue Book containing the Order of Business arranged according to the above schedule, items of Unfinished Business, and other matters which may be of special interest.

Respectfully submitted,

R. C. WYLIE,
W. J. COLEMAN,
G. A. EDGAR,
Of the Committee.

The report on Unfinished Business was adopted as a whole and is as follows:

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Committee on Sabbath Schools to arrange Conference for this Synod.
2. Synod's Treasurer to pay the following from the Literary Fund.
   (a) $40 to the Western Section of the Alliance of Reformed Churches.
   (b) $4.67 to Clerk for expenses
   (c) $200 expenses of the Young People's Secretary.
   (d) $4 expenses of the Music Committee.
   (e) $4.30 to Keystone Driller Company for cablegram.
   (f) Expenses of publishing Digest.
   (g) $3 expenses of the Committee on Co-ordination and Forward Movement.
3. Clerk to publish 1919 Minutes. Corrections.
4. Printing and sale of 1919 Minutes; J. S. Tibby.
5. Clerk to notify officers of congregations as to minimum salary for pastors.
6. Temperance resolutions to be sent the President and both Houses of Congress: Clerk.
7. To write letters of sympathy: page 131, Items 13 and 15.
8. Fraternal delegates:
   (a) To the Synods of the Reformed Presbyterian Churches in Scotland and Ireland: J. S. Martin.

(b) To the General Assembly of the Swedish Lutheran Church: G. M. Robb, J. G. McElhinney and F. D. Frazer.

(c) To the General Assembly of the Pentecostal Church of the Nazarene: J. M. Wylie, J. D. Edgar, D. H. Elliott and D. R. Taggart.

(d) To the Western Section of the Alliance of Reformed Churches: R. C. Wylie.

(e) To the Third World's Christian Citizenship Conference: p. 131.

(f) To the General Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church: J. G. McElhinney, D. H. Elliott and J. G. Reed.

9. The Witness Committee to seek a recognition of Christ in the President's Thanksgiving Proclamation.

10. Apportionment of the Joshua Faris estate.

11. Payment of $200 to the Trustees of the Pine Creek congregation from the estate of Robert W. Kyle.

12. Secretary of the Forward Movement to supply material for Young People's Societies and Sabbath Schools on the call of the church for workers.

13. The Evangelistic Committee to arrange meetings at Geneva College.

14. To investigate and act upon proposal to take over and operate mission near Selma.

15. Board of Control on plan to provide for aged ministers.

16. The Evangelistic Committee to prepare program for the Week of Prayer.

17. The Board of Control to submit plan for aiding students preparing for Christian work.

18. Clerk to forward letter to Chue Hon Shang.

19. Clerk to express Synod's appreciation for clergy rates to the Railroad Administration.

20. Commission on vacancy, salary, expenses, etc., in office of General Secretary of the Forward Movement.

21. Report of War Service Commission.

22. Committee to aid settlement of Covenanter Soldiers and Sailors on government lands.

23. Committee on Digest of Deliverances of Synod.

24. Committee to urge recognition of Christ in League of Nations Covenant.

25. To publish Psalter: D. B. Martin.

26. Statement on the economic ideal found in the Word of God: J. M. Coleman.

27. Committee on Commemorating and Renewing the Covenant.

28. Kansas Presbytery to ordain Licentiate Alvin W. Smith for the Foreign Mission field.

29. Report on permanent Order of Business.

Respectfully submitted,

D. C. MATHEWS,
E. A. CROOKS.

A joint conference of the Women's Synodical and the Forward Movement was assigned to Thursday evening of next Synod.

Synod's Stated Clerk, J. S. Tibby, submitted his annual report, which was adopted and is as follows:

REPORT OF THE STATED CLERK

There are reported twelve Presbyteries; 104 congregations; eight mission stations; 137 ministers; four licentiates; four theological students; 410 elders; 366 deacons; 8520 communicants—a decrease of 50; 178 baptisms; 8647 enrolled in the Sabbath Schools, and 1782 in the Young People's Societies. The number of tithers is 2686—an increase of 358.

Congregations—76 have pastors; 28 without pastors; 46 are smaller numerically than last year; 29 report no accessions; 39 report no one brought in from the world; the Syrian congregation of Pittsburgh was organized November 21, 1919; Fresno, California mission was taken under the care of Pacific Coast Presbytery June 6, 1919.

Ministers—There are 137 ministers; 76 of which are pastors; five are stated supplies; 12 in the foreign field; six in reform work; four at Geneva College; two at the Theological Seminary; six at farming; 10 in other secular callings; two in home mission work; one in Y. M. C. A. work; one in editorial work; one in Sabbath School work; one in Forward Movement; 10 are unable to engage in the ministry. The following ministers entered into their rest: D. C. Faris, Groton, Vt., October 2, 1919; R. M. Somerville, New York City, February 3, 1920; W. P. Johnston, Beaver Falls, Pa., February 6, 1920; J. T. Wilson, Canon City, Colo., May 30, 1919.

R. S. McElhinney was ordained and installed pastor of Cedarville, Ohio, congregaiton, December 30, 1919.

F. E. Allen was installed pastor of Winnipeg, Canada, congregation, September 30, 1919; J. M. Johnston of Connellsville, Pa., congregation, November 24, 1919; J. C. French of Southfield, Mich., congregation, January 15, 1920; E. K. Patton of Winchester, Kansas, congregation January 21, 1920; S. J. Johnston, of First Philadelphia congregation March 5, 1920; E. L. McKnight of East End, Pa., congregation April 9, 1920; E. G. Russell of Superior, Nebraska, congregation June 1, 1920, and of Beulah, Nebraska, congregation June 2, 1920; H. G. McConaughy of Hetherton, Mich., congregation, November 27, 1919.

D. H. Elliott was released from the pastoral charge of Win-

chester, Kansas, congregation, August 21, 1919; E. K. Patton of East End, Pa., congregation, October 28, 1919; S. J. Johnston of Clarinda, Iowa, congregation, January 21, 1920; E. L. McKnight of Sharon, Iowa, congregation, March 8, 1920; E. G. Russell of Denison, Kansas, congregation, May 7, 1920; A. A. Samson of Second New York congregation, December 22, 1919.

J. W. Dodds and F. L. Stewart, students in the Theological Seminary and under the care of Pittsburgh Presbytery, were licensed May 11, 1920, at Beaver Falls, Pa., to preach the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Communicants—The total membership is 50 less than last year—7680 are enrolled in the home field, a decrease of 82. The foreign field reports 840, an increase of 32. In the home field 238 were received on profession of faith and 193 by certificate, or 86 more enrolled than last year. One hundred fifty-three passed away and 379 were dismissed. The Presbytery of Colorado had an increase of 30, Kansas 14, Rochester one, Canada a decrease of seven, Illinois 3, Iowa 21, New York 35, Ohio 10, Pacific Coast 26, Philadelphia three, Pittsburgh 22, China Mission reports 585, a gain of 14. Cyprus reports 57 members, an increase of one; Levant 198, a gain of 18.

Third Philadelphia congregation leads the church in contributions with $21,941.00, Second New York congregation with 217 members, has the largest membership. Greeley, Colorado, congregation had the largest increase in membership, viz, 40 members.

Contributions—Congregational treasurers report $398,563.00 for all purposes, or $51.89 a member; $105,885 of this was for pastor's salaries and supplies. Foreign Missions received $120,644 Home Mission work $90,299.23 as per reports of general treasurers. The church gave $15.71 a member to foreign mission work and $11.75 to the home field. Sixty congregations contributed to all the schemes of the church. The number of parsonages is 32. Certified copies of the 1918 Minutes of Synod were deposited in the safety box of Synod.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES S. TIBBY, Stated Clerk.

The Committee on Bible Reading Folders reported. The report was adopted and is as follows:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON BIBLE READING FOLDERS

Synod's Committee on Bible Reading Folders respectfully presents the following report:

No radical changes were made from the years before in preparing the folders for 1920. The present system seems to be a good one and acceptable to those who use it.

In choosing the passages an effort was made, where possible, to get a complete story or passage and, on this account, they varied somewhat in length.

An effort was made to fix the teachings of the Bible in the minds and hearts of the readers by the choice of a favorite verse, and also by requesting pastors to preach on the books as they were approached in the regular order of the readings. Blank pages were left that the suggestions from these lectures might be noted down and remembered by those who read.

At the request of the chairman of last year's committee the verses on the last page were given a place. The expense of this was to be covered by this same person if necessary. The sale, however, of the folders provided sufficient funds to cover all expenses.

There were three thousand folders printed for 1920. These were all sold and a few orders, coming in late, could not be filled.

Twenty-nine diplomas were given. This is a smaller number than were awarded the previous year.

In the number of folders ordered Winchester stands at the head of the list with 240. The next largest number was 125. Two congregations called for this number.

A letter was sent to each congregation urging the use of the Bible Reading Folders and that an attempt be made to bring them into general use in the congregation and Sabbath School.

The Printer's bill was.....	$65.04
Postage	7.49
Receipts from sale of Folders.....	79.13
Balance from last year.....	.37
Balance on hands	6.97

We recommend—

1. That four thousand Folders be printed for next year.
2. That all pastors be urged to make the use of the Folders as nearly universal as possible among their people; that they keep the people stirred up to the need of regular Bible reading through the year and that they impress upon them the benefit of uniting prayer with Bible reading.
3. That the giving of diplomas for a standard record in reading be continued.

Signed—

OWEN F. THOMPSON,
J. L. PATTERSON,
BOYD A. WHITE.

The report on Signs of the Times was read, adopted, and is as follows:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON SIGNS OF THE TIMES

To discern the times is to know the will of God for present duty. The children of Issachar were men who had understanding of their times to know what Israel ought to do. The Jews were blind to the signs of the times at all the great crises of their

history. For failure in this duty Jesus reproved the Pharisees and Sadducees. They failed to discern their true relation to Jesus Christ and lost their opportunity to lead the world to God.

The proper estimate of any era is to discern whether the trend of events is toward or away from Christ and the advancement of His Kingdom. Thus Christ Himself is the sign of every age; "the everlasting sign which shall not be cut off." He is not only set for the fall and rising again of many, but Christ and His truth are the standard by which we may measure ourselves and our times.

There are some fundamental principles to be recognized in seeking to discern our times. The character of the times is not to be estimated by a single event such as the return of the Jews to Palestine. The Jews as a nation are not the center around which gather the events which determine advancement toward the kingdom of God. Jesus Christ is that center.

It is equally impossible to know what Israel ought to do by seeking to determine our place in the prophetic program. Our Lord set His disapproval on this and the former theory when, in reply to the question, "Wilt thou at this time restore the kingdom to Israel?" He said it was not for them to know the divine program before its fulfillment, but to use the power of the Spirit, soon to be placed at their disposal, as a means of bringing in the kingdom.

We may be equally blinded to present duty by a desire to imitate great leaders, and by adherence to the letter of the laws which they adopted for their guidance. We see the absurdity of political leaders quoting the statements of Washington and Jefferson as the rule to guide under entirely different circumstances. We are not to walk in the steps of our fathers but in the steps of their faith. "Their methods may not be the fittest for our use. The forms of their devotion and the manner of their witness bearing are not of necessity a rule to us."

To estimate properly the trend of events is not an easy task. Modesty is a becoming trait in any one who should attempt to decide whether our times indicate movement toward or away from the recognition of the sovereignty of Christ. The careful observer will not be deceived by every movement which calls itself Christian. Dr. Charles Cuthbert Hall's observations on conditions in India and Japan apply with equal force to our own land, "That whereas the Fatherhood of God is growing rapidly in the consciousness of cultivated men in those lands, the sovereignty of Jesus Christ, which is the very essence of the Christian religion, is a matter from which men draw back." Dr. Hall attributes the tendency to decadence in the religious life of the American people to the same cause. The decrease in the growth of church membership in the United States may be confidently ascribed to the failure to preach the sovereignty of Jesus Christ. While this note is not entirely lacking in modern evangelism it is largely overshadowed by human devices on which reliance is so largely placed to secure converts. The faith which was the source of Dr. Griffith John's strength was "that Jesus Christ was equal to anything in China." This truth properly emphasized

will change decrease to increase in church membership. We may also confidently ascribe the present tendency to world chaos to the failure on the part of the Christian nations to recognize the authority of Jesus Christ. The result of this failure is seen in the world-wide effort to overthrow existing civil order. This conspiracy will succeed if divine aid is not sought for and secured. Failure to bow to the will of Jesus Christ has made America deaf to the call from pleading Armenia that we extend to her the power of our civil protection. It is not Armenia alone that is in peril. America is on trial in this crisis. If we fail our doom is sealed.

The world-wide crime wave is attributed by certain observers to the influence of the world war, and they note that this has been the case after every great war, and this will eventually disappear. While the war may have stimulated this spirit of evil its cause is to be found in conditions preceding the war. It is not possible to separate between the laxity in church teaching and discipline, and that of the family and the school, yet we recognize that education has run the gamut of unbelief and produced a generation of unbelievers. A system of teaching which originated with Astruc, whom Voltaire described as "debauched and possessed with a devil," was made over in Germany and has been enthusiastically received and applied in America and other nations with disastrous results. Now that children and youth, who were taught that they came up through slime and low orders of animal existence, are practicing what they were taught, we have the social evil and kindred animal instincts fully developed as the fruit of the seed sowing of the past half-century. It is a cause of thanksgiving that an awakening has come and the false teachings have been traced to their origin and are being cast out and trodden underfoot.

The times are not wholly bad. The world is not entirely given over to Satan. In spite of human nature, which has exhibited its character in the conditions named in the marked display of individual and organized selfishness, and in the profiteering which has been all but universal, there is, in recent years, a marked growth in the demand for a higher moral standard for society. In the midst of world war there has never been such a universal hatred of war. There are also heard from pulpit, press and platform clear voices demanding the recognition of Jesus Christ in both industrial and civil affairs. Quotations in the literature of our Witness Committee contain evidences of the growth of this sentiment. There could be no more significant evidence that the desire of the nations is toward Him than the united testimony from the forty-one nations whose representatives recently met in Pittsburgh, Pa. As voiced by one of the foreign delegates, it is that "the need of Christ's help has never been so universally felt in the world as it is today."

Influences such as these, in a world given to lawlessness, furnish indisputable evidence that Jesus Christ is ruling in His world and that the Holy Spirit is doing His work in convicting the world of sin, of righteousness, and of judgment already pronounced on Satan Moreover the evil one has not been given un-

restrained power. The failure of the call to a "Holy War," the industrial collapse of Bolshevism, the breakdown in America of the efforts for revolution on the part of the I. W. W., and kindred organizations, the defeat of the efforts of the liquor traffic to overthrow the Prohibitory Constitutional Amendment, together with the many efforts to legislate in behalf of the oppressed classes, and constructive legislation for the benefit of society in general, show clearly that Christ has a purpose for America and for the nations of the world if they will but seek to learn His will.

The present collapse of hoary systems of evil is but the shaking of earth and heaven for the removing of those things that are shaken "that those things which cannot be shaken may remain."

"'Tis but the ruin of the bad,
The wasting of the wrong and ill:
Whate're of good the old time had
Is living still."

In these mingling lights and shadows we find causes for both humiliation and thanksgiving. Synod therefore directs that the members under its care examine themselves to learn how far they are responsible for the evils of our day, to study carefully the signs of the times that they may know what Israel ought to do, and to give thanks to God through Jesus Christ for His goodness.

Synod directs that the day designated by our President be observed as a day of thanksgiving in our homes and congregations, and that Thursday of the Week of Prayer be observed as a day of humiliation and confession of sin.

Respectfully submitted,

J. M. WYLIE, Chairman.
W. A. AIKIN,
R. W. PIPER,
R. L. ORR.

The Committee on Systematic Beneficence reported. E. K. Patton was chosen chairman of the committee in place of D. H. Elliott, resigned. R. A. Blair was continued as his own successor on the Committee. The report was adopted as a whole and is as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SYSTEMATIC BENEFICENCE

The chairmanship of this committee was turned over to R. A. Blair, the second member. But for physical reasons it was not wise to allow him to carry the burden. Hence the work was carried on through the Forward Movement office.

Inasmuch as Synod made no change in the financial system last year the work was done along the same lines as heretofore. During the year an effort was made to educate the people along the lines of stewardship. Three separate Sabbaths were given over to the consideration of stewardship principles. A large

stewardship poster, published by the New Era Movement of the Presbyterian Church was sent to all of our congregations. Twenty-seven congregations have reported that they have stewardship committees. Mr. Pritchard generously gave two issues of the Christian Nation over to the discussion of stewardship principles.

The following literature was sent to all our pastors and congregational leaders:

"The New Emphasis"—by Harris Franklin Rall.

"How to Tithe and Why"—Published by the Joint Centenary Committee of the Methodist Church.

"Your Own or Anothers"—by David McConaughy.

"Proportionate Giving"—by Robert E. Speer.

"A Catechism of Christian Stewardship"—by Ralph S. Cushman.

A stewardship enrollment card was printed and sent to all of our congregations for use in the Every-Member Canvass.

A letter with an inclosed postal card for reply was sent to each congregation asking for a report on the number of tithers enrolled and whether this was an increase over last year. Fifty-four congregations responded with the number of tithers. These 54 congregations with a membership of 4129 reported 1931 tithers or 46.7 per cent of their membership.

A large percentage reported a substantial increase in tithers over last year as well as greatly increased contributions. One pastor wrote that "the gain so far is 28 tithers over last year. The Forward Movement has been worth all it has cost this congregation just for this." Another said: "the work here is very encouraging. Last year for pastor's salary we raised $400. This year, as the result of the Every-Member Canvass and urging the tithe, we have for the coming year pledged $868—more than doubled." Another pastor reported that between 1918 and 1920 their pledges had increased from $53.72 per member to $68.00 per member per year. For the year 1918-1919 the Covenanter Church gave 10⅛ mills per capita per day. For 1919-1920 she gave 14c 1 mill per capita per day.

We would recommend:

1. That the Systematic Beneficence Committee use all necessary measures for carrying out Synod's financial plans in harmony with the general Forward Movement program.

2. That Synod commend the congregations which have made such splendid progress in increased contributions during the past year.

3. The term for which D. H. Elliott and R. A. Blair were elected has expired and their successors should be chosen.

Respectfully submitted,

D. H. ELLIOTT, Chairman.
D. C. MATHEWS,
JAMES S. TIBBY.

The Committee on Change of the Oath reported. The report was adopted as a whole and is as follows:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE CHANGE OF THE OATH

Your Committee is endeavoring to secure such a modification of the various oaths—passport, school teachers, naturalization, military, etc.—as when signed will free the signer from endorsement of, or responsibility for, our National Constitution as it is. Meanwhile we are all praying and laboring with others so engaged for the adoption of the Christian Amendment that will make it a document we can all swear to and still be loyal to our Christ.

Much of your Committee's effort has been expended in endeavoring to enable the gentlemen with whom we have been talking, to understand just exactly what we want. And also just exactly what we do not want. For it seems that we have yet ahead of us this task, viz., to convince men that we are not trying to establish Reformed Presbyterianism by constitutional law, and then rekindle the fagots of religious intolerance. We are looked upon with more suspicion than either a Roman Catholic or Mormon. The average public official looks at one with a cynical expression when you tell him that the Covenanter Church has the highest interests of the nation at heart in trying to Christianize the Constitution, and that we are meanwhile but seeking this change in the oath, to safeguard the Church's relation with God and our country.

So, with confidence in the ultimate result, your Committee aims to be patient with these men whose lack of knowledge of the history of our Church is the source of their prejudice against our Christ-taught propaganda. By use of the best literature at our command we are seeking to help those whom we are trying to interest in our work, to recognize in our appeal for a change of oath, not a mere whim which we wish gratified, but God's divine command which all nations must obey, or perish. They now have in their hands, a book, "The Oath," by Rev. D. X. McJunkin, A. M., published in 1845. This excellent volume was recommended to your Committee by Dr. R. C. Wylie, and it was loaned to us by Dr. W. J. Coleman, who also gave us his own leaflet on "The Oath the Bond of Civil Society." We also furnished a copy of the bill introduced at Washington in 1918 through the efforts of Synod's Committee on change of the Soldier's Oath, and a copy of "Soldiers of the Church," with the pages marked containing Dr. R. J. G. McKnight's report of the work of that Committee.

Your Committee's chief helper and adviser thus far is a close business friend, an attorney of large practice, who is also intimately associated, professionally and otherwise, with Secretary of State Bainbridge Colby. After considerable correspondence, and a long personal interview, we gave him the material enumerated above. He told your Committee that if the granting of our request is within the power of Mr. Colby, as Secretary of

State, it would simplify the matter very much; but if Congressional action is required, that would mean time, and labor, and expense.

One thing, however, has been accomplished. We have demonstrated that the passport oath can be satisfactorily changed with the consent of the State Department at Washington for laymen. We do not need to weary you with the detail. Changes in the passport oath have been allowed heretofore, but only in the cases of Covenanter missionaries, except in the case of a Covenanter minister not a missionary, who went abroad last year. But we have succeeded in making a notable advance on this, as on March 3, of this year, we received two passports for Covenanter laymen, or possibly we should say Covenanter laywomen. In the application for these passports, by advice from Washington, the word "Constitution" was erased, and the word "country" inserted instead, and the passports when received were signed, Frank L. Polk, under Secretary of State. This much at least has been done and it is a precedent that should be of value in securing the same change in other oaths, whether by order of the State Department, or by act of Congress.

A satisfactory change in other forms of the oath should not be counted as impossible, nor hopeless, but merely difficult, requiring prayer, persistent presentation, time, and patience; but Covenanters are trained to difficult tasks, and to the use of all these means in their achievement. Back of the triumph of every moral principle in America were generations of patient and prayerful nourishing, by Covenanter hearts in Covenanter homes. That peerless woman, standing in New York harbor, looking out through the gateway of this new world, is the figure of an American Covenanter mother, with the torch of Christian liberty's light in her outstretched, welcoming hand, symbolizing that the King whom we would have to reign over us is the Lord Jesus Christ.

JOHN W. PRITCHARD, Chairman.

The Committee on Supplemental Questions for Congregations seeking aid from the Domestic Mission Fund submitted a list of such questions which was read and referred to the Mission Conference for next year. The report was ordered printed as an Appendix to the Minutes of Synod.

The following resolution was offered by the Clerk of Illinois Presbytery and adopted:

In accordance with the suggestion of the Home Mission Committee, Illinois Presbytery requests the Synod to appoint the Central Board of Missions a Commission to have the oversight of the Selma congregation.

The Committee on Theological Seminary and Geneva College reported. The report was taken up item by item for adoption. R. C. Wylie and R. J. G. McKnight were

heard on behalf of the Seminary; R. M. Young and R. H. Martin on behalf of the College. Synod approved of the campaign to increase the endowment of Geneva College $250,000, the campaign to be conducted in accordance with the rules of Synod. The report was amended, adopted as a whole, and is as follows:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY AND GENEVA COLLEGE

The Committee on Theological Seminary and Geneva College would respectfully report:

Three papers have been referred to us: the reports of the Board of Superintendents of the Theological Seminary, of the Board of Corporators of Geneva College, and of the Board of Trustees of Geneva College.

The Theological Seminary

We regard with satisfaction the work done during the past year, even though performed under somewhat discouraging conditions owing to the small number of students, and we express our appreciation of the self-denying labors of the Professors along other lines of activity in the public service of the church.

We note with sympathy the loss sustained by the Board of Superintendents in the death of R. M. Sommerville.

We call attention to the appeals in the report for students and would press this upon the serious consideration of the young men who are seeking to determine their life work.

We recommend:

1. That parents and pastors keep before the youth of the Church the claims of the gospel ministry.
2. That in seeking recruits for the Seminary special emphasis be laid on the natural qualifications for public speaking.
3. That the students of the Seminary be graded in class room work and examinations, and reports of their grades be transmitted to their respective Presbyteries.
4. That a special committee be appointed to secure all data necessary to a new location for the Seminary.
5. That D. C. Mathews be appointed to fill the place of E. K. Patton resigned; F. M. Foster to place of R. M. Sommerville, deceased; that T. H. Acheson, Robert Park, J. B. Willson and J. R. Steele be chosen their own successors; and that Elder E. W. Jones, of Brooklyn, and A. A. Johnston, of Geneva College, be added to the Board.
6. That the Professors be granted an opportunity to present the claims of the Seminary.

Geneva College

We record our satisfaction with the standard of efficiency

attained by Geneva College as evidenced by the report submitted.

We rejoice in the increased emphasis placed on the spiritual side of the student life and in the systematic effort put forth to lead the students into lines of Christian service.

We express our pleasure in the satisfactory provision made for courses in the English Bible and our appreciation of the successful completion of the campaign conducted by R. J. G. McKnight for the endowment of the Bible Chair.

We rejoice in the growth and expansion of the College both in its physical equipment and in the number of students.

We note with sorrow the loss sustained in the death of the President Emeritus, Dr. W. P. Johnston.

We recommend:

1. That the Board of Trustees guard against indefinite expansion of the College curriculum.
2. That D. H. Elliott be elected to succeed S. E. Greer on the Board of Corporators.
3. That Mr. R. M. Young and President R. H. Martin be given an opportunity to present the claims of the College on the floor of Synod.

Respectfully submitted,

W. McCARROLL,
T. C. McKNIGHT,
GEO. S. COLEMAN,
J. W. CARSON,
DAVID W. PARK, M. D.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF SUPERINTENDENTS OF THE THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

The Board of Superintendents of the Theological Seminary would respectfully report that the regular annual meeting was held at the closing exercises of the Seminary on Tuesday, April 27, 1920. Only five members of the Board were present. We note particularly the absence of four of the five elders on the Board, some kept away by illness in their families, distance or expense of travel.

During the past year Dr. R. M. Sommerville, Chairman of the Board, passed away. Dr. W. J. Coleman was chosen Chairman.

The professors submitted their reports, which were approved and have been published. The session of the Seminary was opened in the fall with a lecture by Dr. R. C. Wylie on "The Millenium." The following students were in attendance:

Second Year—J. W. Dodds, F. L. Stewart.

First Year—David M. Edgar, Melvin R. Jameson.

The attendance was excellent, only two absences being reported for the year.

The regular prayermeetings were held each Wednesday

morning in the Seminary Hall. The students preached twice during the session. Regular instruction was given in elocution by Prof. G. M. Sleeth and in music by Prof. W. A. Lafferty.

Oral examinations before the Board were conducted by Prof. Wylie in Reformed Presbyterian Apologetics and by Prof. McKnight in the Psalter. The examination papers in the other subjects were submitted to the Board. In the afternoon and evening the students preached in the Allegheny church. The sermons were criticized, commended, and, with the examinations, approved by the Board. The students of the second year were certified to Pittsburgh Presbytery for licensure.

The funds of the Seminary are in good condition, although all the balances are less than last year.

We once more call the attention of Synod to the scarcity of candidates for the ministry. This year we had no graduating class. Only four students were on the roll. The professors were authorized by the Board at its meeting last year to canvass the Church for students. This work was carried on during the summer months. Dr. McKnight visited many of our congregations and spoke at several Young People's Presbyterial Conventions. We quote from the joint report: "The work done among the young people of the church, we believe, will bear fruit in due time. Probably twenty-five young men in High School or in the first years of their college course have signified their intention of entering the ministry. We may reasonably expect an increase of 100 per cent in the attendance next year. Even with this increase, however, the needs of the church cannot be adequately supplied * * * One reason that prevents young men from entering the Seminary immediately upon the completion of their college course is the fact that very often they are in debt for their education and feel obliged to turn to teaching or to other work to pay off the debts incurred. If the funds at the disposal of the Board of Control could be used to help young men at this critical period we feel that more would come forward to prepare for the ministry."

In view of the need for pastors we urge that parents dedicate their sons from their birth to the work of the ministry and pray unceasingly with them and for them that, if it be God's will, they may be called to be ambassadors for Christ. We urge them to give their sons such an education, with classical training, as will enable them to answer the call of God, if it comes to them, in the years of maturity, and to enter the Seminary fully qualified to take up the work of immediate preparation. We urge that the boys and young men of the church study carefully and prayerfully the plan of God for their lives, and, if they believe that He is calling them to the ministry, that they give themselves without reserve to this noblest of all callings and direct all their study and all their life towards this end. We urge that pastors magnify their office, keep ever before their people its glorious privileges, duties and responsibilities, and by prayer and by the personal touch seek to guide into the ministry those young men who may be qualified. We urge that congregations covet earnestly representatives in the ministry. We prided

ourselves in our service flags as our young men went forth to war. Shall we not much more glory in Christian service flags, the stars on which shall bear witness that somewhere along the far-flung battle lines of the Cross there are those who went forth from our midst, who look back to us with loving memories, who depend upon us for the support of our prayers, who are our soldiers of the Cross?

Another matter brought before the Board by the professors concerns the location of the Seminary. The heating and ventilation of the present quarters are not satisfactory. Prices for rooms are very high. "Whether a modern plant with an adjacent dormitory would serve to attract more students we cannot say; but it is certain that it would revolutionize the present conditions of seminary life. The Church has given to the Seminary during the past few decades very little for its support beyond a small portion of the amount annually asked for. The facilities now are very little superior to those of fifty years ago."

The professors of the Seminary have been authorized to continue canvassing the Church for students.

T. H. Acheson was appointed the representative of this Board on the Co-ordinating Committee.

The time for which T. H. Acheson, Robert Park, J. B. Willson, E. K. Patton and John R. Steele were chosen members of the Board has expired and their successors should be elected. The term of R. M. Sommerville, also, has expired, and his place should be filled.

We ask for an appropriation of $4,000 for the coming year.

MINUTE ON THE DEATH OF DR. R. M. SOMMERVILLE

The Board of Superintendents of the Theological Seminary desires to place on record its appreciation of the character and services of the late Dr. Robert McGowan Sommerville, pastor for many years of the Second New York congregation, a member of this Board for twenty-eight years and for seven years its Chairman.

Dr. Sommerville was an inspiration to the students of the Seminary because he could preach so well himself, because he always put the Lord Jesus Christ to the front and because he appreciated so highly the efforts of young men to prepare themselves for the work of the ministry. Though he had made a study of the art of speaking, he was a very gentle critic. Nothing escaped his attention and every speaker before him felt that he had been weighed in a just balance.

While anything but effusive Dr. Sommerville seemed to enjoy the company of the students and members of the Board and attended our meetings when it overtaxed his strength. His presence added dignity to our meetings and made the closing exercises of the Seminary a serious occasion. His addresses to the students when conferring diplomas were events and followed fittingly the addresses given on such occasions by Dr. T. P. Stevenson.

It is believed that never in any of our meetings did Dr. Som-

merville say a word or do anything that could be regretted, or that brought pain to his fellow members, or to a student who spoke before him. His work was always constructive and helpful. We desire to bear tribute to the high ability, devoted service and unblemished character of our brother, Dr. R. M. Sommerville, and to express our sorrow that we shall see his form no more on earth. His work is done, his eloquent lips are closed, but his memory is still with us. "He that doeth the will of God abideth forever."

W. J. COLEMAN, Chraiman.
J. B. WILLSON, Secretary.

The Board of Corporators of Geneva College would respectfully report:

We have held one regular and one special meeting.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

President - - - -	J. C McFeeters
Vice President - - -	A Kilpatrick
Secretary - - - - -	G. M. Robb
Treasurer - - - - -	J. S. Tibby

The following members of the Board of Corporators were elected their own successors: T. H. Acheson, G. M. Robb, F. M. Wilson, J. D. McAnlis.

The following members were certified from Presbyteries for the next three years: W. G. Robb, Iowa Presbytery; J. M. Coleman, Illinois Presbytery; J. G. McElhinney, Kansas Presbytery; and F. E. Allen, for one year, from Central Canada, to fill the place of J. C. French.

The following were elected to constitute the Board of Trustees for the ensuing year. R. C. Wylie, Robert Park, J. C. Slater, J. Boyd Tweed, J. A. McAteer, J. H. McBurney, J. M. Steele, R. M. Downey, R. M. Pearce, R. M. Young, E. L. McKnight, Thomas H. Martin.

The report of the Board of Trustees was read and ordered transmitted to Synod.

The Board approves the general proposition of raising an endowment fund of $250,000, and recommend it to the generous support of those who have means.

We are highly gratified at the large attendance of students this year, and the high efficiency of the teaching force.

We express our grateful appreciation of the successful campaign for the endowment of the Bible Chair, and our gratitude to the whole church for its hearty support.

We commend the college, as our institution of learning, to the youth of the church, and urge parents to consider it earnestly, as the institution for the education of their sons and daughters. And we ask for it the daily prayers of the church.

The term of S. E. Greer as a member of this Board, has expired and his successor should be chosen by this Synod.

J. C. McFEETERS, President.
G. M. ROBB, Secretary.

GENEVA COLLEGE REPORT

To the Board of Corporators of Geneva College:

The Board of Trustees respectfully reports:

It has been four years since the present administration took charge of the affairs of the College. It is cause for profound gratitude that these have been years of great, if not unexampled progress in the history of the College. It is fitting that the principal items of this progress should be laid before the Board of Corporators and the Church.

First of all attention is called to the large increase in the student body. The chief stress at Geneva has always been laid upon the School of Liberal Arts. The attendance at the beginning of the present administration was 152; this present year it is 280. This is an increase of 84% in the four years of the present administration. In this same period there has been a large increase in the School of Music and of Public Speaking. The total net attendance in all departments exclusive of the Normal department four years ago was 278; this present year it is 419; 542 including the Normal Department.

Three years ago the curriculum was revised and modernized. The Group system based upon certain fundamental requirements which preserve what is distinctive in Geneva, was introduced. This system gives the student considerable liberty of choice in his studies and requires him to do advanced work in at least one or two subjects sufficient to prepare him to teach these subjects or to admit him to graduate work in the University.

In the four years no less than twenty courses have been added in eight departments. The departments of Education and Psychology have just been divided and extended and beginning with next year the full time of one professor (excepting one class) will be given to the department of Education. This year for the first time the first two years of a course in Engineering was given. Four years ago the courses in English Bible were added to and the required work for graduation was increased. Beginning with next year the entire time of one professor will be given to instruction in the English Bible. This new curriculum with the additional courses introduced is one of the most important achievements of the administration.

During this period the faculty has been enlarged and very materially strengthened. Four additional members have been added to the faculty during the four years. More important is the raising of the scholastic standing of the faculty. The motto of its members has been "advancement." No summer passes without several members of the faculty taking advanced work along the line of their teaching, in some university. Four years ago six members of the faculty held the degree of Master of Arts and no member the degree of Doctor of Philosophy. This year eight members have the Master's degree and three members the Doctor of Philosophy degree.

During this period an Extension department has been introduced. In this department instruction is given in regular college

subjects in evening classes taught by members of the college faculty. The purpose of this department is to give to teachers in the schools near the college and to others who cannot attend the day sessions, the advantages of a college education. The growing attendance in this department is evidence that it meets a real need. When it is known that within a radius of twenty miles of the college and within easy reach of it by trolley or train there is a population of over 150,000, it will be seen that Geneva has an opportunity in extension work equalled by few colleges in the country.

In this same period Geneva has won first place in the three Intercollegiate Oratorical contests held and more than held her share of victories in Intercollegiate debates and Intercollegiate athletic contests. The number of volumes in the library has increased from less than 6,000 to 10,000.

The physical properties and equipment of the college have also been added to and improved. Provision has been made for the erection of a new Woman's dormitory to be known as McKee Hall and the building is now in process of erection. When completed it will provide accommodations for lodging 85 young women and for boarding about 200 students. A contract has been entered into by which the late J. L. McCartney Home and about two acres of ground upon which it is located will become the property of the college. This will not only add to the size of the college campus but also enhance its beauty and provide a suitable location for the new McKee Hall. The McCartney house has already been moved to a strip of ground purchased from the Boyle estate and located just north of the McCartney property, to provide for the carrying out of the above scheme. The Raisley House and lot formerly belonging to the McCartney property and located just north of the present dormitory was purchased last summer and is being used as a dormitory annex. In the main college building electric lights have been installed, all the rooms and halls have been painted, a woman's rest room, a men's study and cloak room have been added, lavatories have been installed, business offices fitted up, and the college library removed from cramped to commodious quarters. A wireless instrument and other scientific apparatus have been added in the Science Hall.

At the beginning of the administration a campaign was undertaken to clear off a debt of about $50,000 resting upon the college. This campaign was carried out successfully and the debt in large measure was canceled. Notwithstanding the fact that these four years covered the period of the war with its disastrous financial effects upon the colleges through the drain upon their students and the large increase in the cost of their maintenance due to the high cost of living, the college today has no greater debt resting upon it than it had four years ago. Last summer a successful campaign was carried out in which over $55,000 was subscribed to the Memorial Bible Chair Fund. On May 1st over $41,000 of the amount subscribed to this fund had been paid into the treasury. Adding several thousand dollars which has been paid into the General Endowment Fund, a total of over $50,000

has been received for the endowment during the four years. Within this period Mrs. McKee made her most generous pledge for the erection of a new dormitory and at this date has paid into the treasury more than half the amount of her pledge.

The progress, partially indicated by the above items, has been due to the broad vision, faith and aggressiveness of the leaders of the administration, to hard work, to the absence of friction, to the spirit of unity and co-operation on the part of the Faculty, the President and the Board of Trustees, to the support of the Church and the community and above all to the blessing of God. In this progress we have the seal of the Divine approval upon our work.

The present year has been a most encouraging one. The attendance is much larger than any previous year. It is as follows:

School of Liberal Arts	280
School of Music	153
School of Public Speaking	91
Normal School	123
Total	647
Deduction for names repeated	105
Net total	542

The faculty has been strengthened this year by the return from war service of Drs. Coldwell and Wylie and Prof. Sloane Martin. Miss Mary N. Porter and Mr. Brown Sterrett have been added to the faculty. Miss Porter, who is a graduate of the University of Michigan and who has her Master's degree from Columbia University is teacher of Freshman English and Mr. Sterrett, a graduate of Geneva, assistant professor in Chemistry. Without exception the members of the faculty have rendered good service. They have manifested a spirit of co-operation and helpfulness in everything pertaining to the welfare of the college. It is a matter for gratification when so many colleges are losing the best members of their faculty that we expect to be able to retain ours for the coming year. In addition we will add to our faculty next year Prof. John Coleman of Muskingum College, New Concord, Ohio, and pastor of our congregation at that same place, who will give his entire time to instruction in the English Bible.

The graduating class this year numbers 34; in addition three will receive certificates in music. Of this number several are favorably considering the ministry. All but six of the 34 are expecting to teach this coming year.

In literary work the year has been decidedly successful. The Intersociety contest was restored this year, increasing the interest in literary work as carried on by the two literary societies. Four Inter-collegiate debates were participated in, Geneva winning three out of the four. In the Inter-collegiate Oratorical contest Geneva again won first place. This is the fifth year in succession that Geneva has won first place in this contest. Geneva's representative this year was Donald K. Martin, of the Senior class. The subject of his oration was "The Future Goal—the

Final Victory." The oration was an exemplification of the Christian ideals for which Geneva stands and an application of these ideals to world problems. In athletics also it has been a successful year. The college has won in more than half its athletic contests notwithstanding the fact that the teams played were from schools much larger than Geneva. Princeton and Yale were on our basketball schedule.

The health of the students for the most part has been good. They are a fine body of students. President Martin in his report says "The work done by the students is of a much higher grade than it was last year. Still I believe there is room for much improvement. On the whole their conduct has been good. Many of our students are under the necessity of working part time to help make their way through college. This cuts down the time they can devote to study. However, it is the conviction of the faculty that our students are doing fully as good work as is being done in other schools."

Concerning religious conditions and the provision made for the cultivation of the spiritual life of the students, President Martin says: "Religious conditions are much improved over those of last year but still by no means ideal. There is need at Geneva, as everywhere throughout our colleges and churches, of more vital religion, of more true Godliness to lead our young people to a deeper appreciation of the more important things and to win them away from that which is light and evil. More than the usual effort has been made this year to emphasize the spiritual side of life, to lead students into closer fellowship with the Divine and to keep before them the responsibilities of Christian service which rests upon them in these wonderful days. In addition to the usual Y. M. and Y. W. C. A. meetings and activities, the Sabbath morning Bible Class for students, the Sabbath evening Prayer Meeting for students, the Daily Prayer Services at the dormitory and the Daily Devotional Chapel Service, there were held, a Sabbath afternoon Vesper Service for part of the year, a week of special Religious Services and a large number of persons from the Reformed Presbyterian and other churches were brought in to address the students on religious subjects. Doctors Acheson and Samson conducted special religious services in January with Mr. R. A. M. Steele as director of music. They rendered excellent service. I do not see how they could have done better work. These meetings were prepared for by special prayer meetings held by the students daily for a week preceding the meetings. A deep impression was made upon many of our students. About 75 of them signed life service cards, dedicating themselves wholly to Christ and promising to seek definitely to discover His will concerning their life work and having discovered it to follow it. We have followed up these meetings by bringing in persons from outside to address the students on subjects related to life service. On account of the Forward Movement in our own and other churches we have felt this year a special obligation to do all within our power to develop the spiritual life of the students and to lead them into fields of Christian service."

There is great need of the new dormitory for women students. The present dormitory provides for the accommodation of only one-half of the women students who require rooms. The remainder are provided for in the dormitory annex and in private homes on College Hill. Under these conditions it is well nigh impossible to maintain proper oversight over the young women. When McKee Hall is completed and all the women resident students are housed in it favorable conditions for their proper oversight will have been secured.

The large increase in the cost of maintaining the college has made our financial problems exceedingly difficult. Notwithstanding this we have been able to come nearer breaking even financially than we hoped. The total current account receipts for the year were $59,946.31, and the total current account expenses, $64,055.74, leaving a deficit in the current account of $4,109.43. Had it not been for the fact that $8,635.46 received from the Government for the S. A. T. C. which belonged properly to the preceding year's account is included in the above receipts, the deficit in the current account would have been $12,744.87. The total deficit in the current account May 1, 1920, was $35,711.07, and the total overdrafts in all accounts $54,434.45. The amount received on the Memorial Bible Chair endowment has already been indicated in this report. The Board wishes to express its gratitude to the Church for its generous response to the appeal made for this fund.

The Board of Trustees has made an estimate of the current account receipts and expenditures for the coming year. The deficit on this estimate will be about $22,000. We believe that the current account debt of over $35,000 should be reduced next year, therefore the co-ordinating committee of the Forward Movement has been asked to include in the Church budget for the year $35,000 for the Geneva College current account.

The great need of the college in the immediate future is a large increase in the general endowment fund. The physical properties of the college have been wonderfully improved in the last ten or twelve years. We have thus been making provision for the body of the college. It is now time to make adequate provision for her soul. In the last analysis a college is made or unmade by its teachers. Geneva's faculty must be increased in number and its high standing maintained in the years to come. That this may be done and other expenses of maintaining the college provided for, it will be necessary in the immediate future to at least double the present endowment funds. In the forward movements of other churches very large sums of money are included for the denominational colleges. We believe that the Reformed Presbyterian Church and other friends of the college are ready to keep Geneva fully abreast of the other colleges. Realizing the necessity of this increase of endowment the Board of Trustees recently decided to undertake a campaign to raise $250,000. It was decided to raise $50,000 to endow a chair of English Literature in honor of Dr. W. P. Johnston; $50,000 to endow a chair of Classical Languages in honor of Dr. George Kennedy; $50,000 to endow a chair of Philosophy and Education

in honor of Dr. H. H. George. The Board of Corporators and the Synod are asked to endorse this campaign.

Application has been made to the General Education Board for aid in increasing the endowment fund. We have also made application to the Carnegie Foundation Fund. Geneva College in common with practically all the denominational colleges submitted a budget of its needs to the Interchurch World Movement underwriting five per cent of its askings. At present writing we can scarcely hope to profit from the Interchurch Movement this year.

Mr. R. M. Young and President R. H. Martin have been appointed to present the claims of the college before the Synod.

In closing we note the loss sustained by the college in the death of our beloved President Emeritus, Dr. W. P. Johnston. It is not possible to estimate his worth to Geneva College, the Church and the Kingdom. He was a man of exceedingly fine personality, of Christian culture, of devotion to Christ and to the cause of Christian education. He gave his life for Geneva College. He loved it as he loved his own soul. Hundreds of young men and young women he inspired to live noble lives. Students and alumni loved and reverenced him. It is the character, ideals and sacrifices of such men that have made Geneva what she is. May the Church and the Alumni ever keep his memory green.

Respectfully submitted,

R. C. WYLIE, President.
R. M. PEARCE, Secretary.

The following resolution offered by W. J. McKnight was adopted:

RESOLUTION ON CATHOLICISM

The Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America appeals to the Christian people of every name to be on the alert against the inroads of the Church of Rome; to withstand to the uttermost their subtle attempts to exclude the Bible from the Schools; and to expose and antagonize their purpose to dominate the political life of our nation. We lament that this vast institution labors so diligently and so persistently to blind its own membership to the gracious character of the gospel of Jesus Christ, and we pray God that the time will soon come when the Roman Catholic Church shall be brought to naught, and its membership to the feet of Christ.

It was resolved to hold a prayer meeting in the Eighth Street Church, Pittsburgh, Wednesday evening of next Synod, under direction of the Committee having charge of the program for the Covenant memorial services.

The report of the Committee on Supplies was read, adopted, and is as follows:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON SUPPLIES

The Committee on Supplies would respectfully report the following assignments:

W. A. Aikin, July, Kansas; August, Ohio; September-May, Kansas.

R. C. Allen, June-July, Pittsburgh; August-September, Ohio; October-November, Kansas; December-January, Iowa; February-March, Pittsburgh; April-May, N. B. and N. S.

T. J. Allen, July-September, Pittsburgh; October-December, Ohio; January-March, Pittsburgh; April-May, New York.

J. W. Dill, all year, Kansas.

G. A. Edgar, June-August, Ohio.

D. B. Elsey, June-October, Ohio; November-December, Pittsburgh; January-May, Ohio.

Isaiah Faris, June-August, Kansas; September-October, Iowa; November-May, Kansas.

W. S. Fulton, June-August, Ohio; September-October, Kansas; November-May, Ohio.

R. G. Graham, June-September, Pittsburgh; October-December, Ohio; January-March, Illinois; April-May, Pittsburgh.

S. B. Houston, June-October, Central Canada; November-December, Iowa; January-February, Kansas; March-April, Ohio; May, Pittsburgh.

G. R. McBurney, June-October, Kansas; November-March, Central Canada; April-May, Kansas.

W. J. McBurney, July-August, Pittsburgh; September-November, Ohio; December-January, Illinois; February-March, Iowa; April-May, Kansas.

W. C. McClurkin, June-August, Pittsburgh; September-November, New York; December-January, Pittsburgh; February-May, Kansas.

T. A. McElwain, June-August, Pittsburgh; September, New York; October-November, N. B and N. S.; December-May, Pittsburgh.

William McFarland, June-October, Rochester; November-December, Pittsburgh; January-February, Ohio; March, Illinois; April, Iowa; May, Rochester.

R. J. McIsaac, June-September, Pittsburgh; October-November, New York; December-February, N. B. and N. S.; March-May, Pittsburgh.

W. M. McNeel, all year, Pacific Coast.

E. C. Mitchell, June-August, Kansas; September-October, Ohio; November-December, Illinois; January-February, Pittsburgh; March-May, New York.

J. M. Rutherford, June-July, Iowa; August-September, Kansas; October, Illinois; November, Ohio; December, Pittsburgh; January-February, New York; March-May, Central Canada.

B. M. Sharp, June-August, Pittsburgh; September-November, Ohio; December, Kansas; January-February, Iowa; March-April, Illinois; May, Pittsburgh.

S. G. Shaw, June-September, New York; October-November, Philadelphia; December-February, Pittsburgh; March-May, Ohio.

T. C. Sproull, June-August, Pittsburgh; September-November, Ohio; December-May, Pittsburgh.

F. L. Stewart, June, Ohio; July, Illinois; August, Iowa.

G. R. Steele, June-August, Illinois; September-October, Iowa; November-December, Central Canada; January-February, Pacific Coast; March-April, Kansas; May, Ohio.

A. M. Thompson, all year, Pacific Coast.

S. R. Wallace, June-August, New York; September-October, N. B. and N. S.; November-February, Central Canada; March-May, New York.

J. Ralston Wylie, June, Kansas; July, Iowa; August, Kansas; September, Ohio; October-March, Kansas; April, New York; May, Pittsburgh.

W. J. COLEMAN,
J. M. RUTHERFORD,
JOHN M. EDGAR,
JAMES S. TIBBY.

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence, G. N. Greer, Chairman, submitted the following letter, which was approved and ordered forwarded to the Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church in Ireland:

Greeley, Colo., June 9, 1920.

To the Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of Ireland:

Dear Brethren:

Greetings from the Reformed Presbyterian Synod in session, Greeley, Colorado, June 3-10, 1920.

Your letter dated May 14, 1920, was gladly received and read in the presence of our entire Synod. We thank you for your kindly interest in our welfare, and assure you of our continued interest in you. While we record our pleasure over the increase of the King's army abroad in the departure for the mission field of one of your workers and the anticipated sailing of another; we cannot but sympathize with you also in the loss that you sustained in the death of a minister and several elders of the Synod. "And whether one member suffereth, all the members suffer with it; or one member is honored, all the members rejoice with it."

We note what you say concerning our effort in behalf of the Christian Amendment. We feel that the present is the opportune moment for pressing the claims of Christ's Rulership over the nations, and that our nation, as others, must "Kiss the Son" or perish.

We also feel greatly encouraged in the present outlook for our College, the Endowment of the Bible Chair, the splendid personnel of the faculty as well as an increasing body of students.

The Synod greatly misses a number of those upon whose counsels we have depended in former years. Dr. R. M. Sommer-

ville led the church in our Foreign Missionary labors for about thirty-five years.

Dr. W. P. Johnston was for nearly thirty years associated with Geneva College as professor and president. His Christian gentleness has moulded for better and higher things the lives of many young men and women.

Our Forward Movement program is getting well under way, and is doing much in quickening the life of the entire church.

A budget of $230,500.00 has been adopted, this amount is in addition to the support of the local congregations. The rebuilding of our mission plant in the Levant and great changes in the rate of exchange in China have called for unusual expenditures in our mission fields. We trust that God will give us the prosperity and the liberality that will enable us to meet the financial demand of the hour.

Dr. A. J. McFarland, in spite of impaired health due to experiences through which he passed in the Near East, has been graciously upheld by his Lord while fulfilling his duties as Moderator of the Synod.

Very respectfully,

A. J. McFARLAND, Moderator.
D. C. MATHEWS, Clerk.

R. J. G. McKnight tendered his resignation as Chairman of the Witness Committee. Synod voted to not accept the resignation.

The time for the meeting of the Mission Conference next year was set for 10:00 A. M., Tuesday, June 7th, in the Eighth Street Pittsburgh church.

The following resolution of thanks was unanimously adopted:

RESOLUTION OF THANKS

Resolved that Synod, by a standing vote, express its very hearty appreciation of the kindness, hospitality, and untiring efforts of the Greeley, Colorado, congregation and its friends and pastor in making the Synod of 1920 so pleasant and profitable.

The following resolution, proposed by D. H. Elliott, was adopted:

That Synod express its appreciation of the labors of T. M. Slater in preparing stereopticon slides on our church history for the use of the church.

The following resolution was offered by J. S. Thompson and adopted:

That the Central Board of Missions be authorized to develop and push plans for the development of the home church, leaving

to their judgment the question of appointing a Home Mission Secretary.

Synod gave a hearty vote of appreciation for the services of its officers, and especially of gratitude for the strength and support given the Moderator in his physical weakness.

A letter of appreciation from Thomas Patton in response to Synod's telegram of sympathy was read to the court.

The Committee on Nominations made a final report. The report was adopted as a whole and is as follows:

The Committee on Nominations would respectfully report that there were eleven references to this committee as follows:

I. A committee to draft a resolution to be sent to Congress to prohibit the publishing of Sunday newspapers—D. C. Mathews, S. J. Johnston, R. I. Tomb.

II. To fill places on the Board of Church Erection—F. M. Wilson in place of R. M. Sommerville, deceased; and F. M. Foster, E. W. Jones and A. D. McNeil to succeed themselves.

III. To fill vacancies on the Board of Control—W. J. Marshall to succeed himself; W. G. Robb in place of E. L. McKnight, and J. P. Baird in place of R. J. Allen.

IV. Letters of Sympathy to the sick and bereaved:

To P. P. Boyd—Isaiah Faris.
To Thomas McFall—J. W. Pritchard.
To F. M. Foster—R. C. Montgomery.
To Paul Coleman—Elmer Russell.
To Mrs. R. M. Sommerville—J. M. Foster.
To Mrs. D. C. Faris—W. J. McKnight.
To Mrs. W. P. Johnston—J. C. French.
To T. A. Rusk—S. G. Shaw.
To I. A. Blackwood—E. A. Crooks.
To Samuel Edgar and wife—J. B. Gilmore.
To W. J. McBurney—W. G. Robb.
To S. R. Boggs—S. J. Johnston.
To R. A. Blair—J. Boyd Tweed.

V. To fill vacancies on Temperance Committee—W. W. Carithers to succeed himself, and William Sloane Moore in place of T. G. Graham.

VI. Committee to report on Communication from the Inter-Church World Movement—J. M. Wylie, J. C. McFeeters, R. C. Wylie, David Park, E. W. Jones.

VII. Committee to report on the question of appointing del-

egates to the Western Presbyterian Alliance of Reformed Churches—W. J. Coleman, W. J. McKnight, J. M. Foster.

VIII. To fill places on Witness Committee—W. J. Coleman and Oliver Wylie to succeed themselves.

IX. Memorials:

On D. C. Faris—G. M. Robb.
On R. M. Sommerville—J. M. Foster.
On J. T. Wilson—H. B. McMillan.
On W. P. Johnston—R. H. Martin.

X. Committee to report next Synod on the term of service of delegates appointed to the Western Section of Alliance of Reformed Churches—W. J. Coleman, T. H. Acheson, R. C. Reed.

XI. Moderator's Alternate to preach the sermon—Walter McCarroll.

The Committee on Finance reported. The report was adopted as a whole and is as follows:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

The Committee on Finance would present the following report:

The following reports and items have been referred to this Committee:

I. Report of the Board of Control.

II. Report of the Reformed Presbyterian Home for the Aged.

III. Report of the Central Board of Missions.

IV. The report of the Board of Superintendents of the Theological Seminary.

V. The report of Joseph M. Steele, Treasurer of the Board of Foreign Missions.

VI. The report of the Jewish Mission Board.

VII. The report of the Board of Church Erection.

VIII. The report of J. S. Tibby, Treasurer of Synod's Board of Trustees.

Your Committee would recommend the following:

1. That Reports I, II, III, IV, V, VI, VII, VIII be printed in the Minutes of Synod.

2. That the bequest of Miss Margaret F. Edgar of Sterling, Kansas, of $757.91, which is to be divided among needy Boards, be divided equally between the Central Board of Missions and the current account of Geneva College.

3. That the money from the sale of the Wahoo Church lots, $1,394.50, and the money and Liberty Bonds from the sale of the Fairgrove church property ($589.87) be given to the Board of Church Erection.

4. That the $800 from the Robert Kyle estate, be given to the Board of Control for widows and orphans of deceased ministers.

5. That $40.00 be paid from the Literary Fund to the Western Section of the World's Presbyterian Alliance.

6. That thirteen hundred (1300) copies of the 1920 Minutes of Synod be printed and that the price be fifty cents per copy.

7. That the Clerk of Synod be instructed to cast the unanimous ballot of Synod for John M. Allen, William Blair and Oliver Wylie as their own successors on Synod's Board of Trustees.

8. That $300 be appropriated from the Domestic Mission Fund for the development of the Mineola field.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT CLARKE, Chairman.
R. M. DOWNIE,
W. G. ROBB,
JOHN W. PRITCHARD.

The Clerk cast the unanimous ballot of Synod for John M. Allen, William Blair and Oliver Wylie as members of Synod's Board of Trustees for a term of three years beginning June 15, 1920, and ending June 15, 1923.

TWENTY-THIRD ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TREASURER REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN HOME FOR AGED PEOPLE, YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 28, 1920.

Receipts

Congregational collections	$ 874.12
Donations	1,088.63
Membership dues	445.00
Admission fees	600.00
Boarding	161.80
Rent	1,293.76
Member's Fund	5,904.18
Sundry cash income	32.53
Interest	465.17
Payment of mortgage	1,900.00
Sale of Avalon property	2,071.71
Transferred from Savings Account	13,250.00
Accounts receivable	1,363.17
Receipts for the year	$ 29,450.07

Receipts for the year	$ 29,450.07
Disbursements for the year	28,683.02
Excess receipts	$ 767.05
Add balance March 1, 1919	133.14
Balance February 28, 1920	$ 900.19

Disbursements

Burial expense	$ 88.00
Cemetery	55.00
Commission	1.00
Drugs and medicines	69.43
Food supplies	2,022.86
General expense	245.47
Garden and grounds	125.05
House cleaning	34.24
Insurance	224.80
Matron's expense account	610.00
Light, heat and water	820.59
Nursing	50.00
Plumbing	129.00
Printing, postage and stationery	80.60
Repairs and renewals	854.10
Salaries	1,634.88
Taxes	297.58
Telephone and telegraph	60.03
Interest on mortgage, etc.	1,140.03
Mortgage	14,000.00
Paid to Savings Account	6,002.04
Sundry accounts payable	138.32
Disbursements for the year	$ 28,683.02

Assets

Cash—		
Mellon National Bank Savings Account	$ 800.85	
City Deposit Bank Checking Account	900.19	
City Deposit Bank Savings Account	6,002.04	
		$ 7,703.08
Real Estate—		
Cemetery lots	$ 625.00	
Home property	28,235.76	
McNaugher property	7,680.00	
		36,540.76
Stocks and Bonds—		
Keystone Driller Company	$ 120.00	
U. S. Liberty Bonds	150.00	
		270.00
Mortgages Receivable—		
George W. Defibaugh	$ 1,800.00	
George Frankovich	14,000.00	
E. M. Milne	2,000.00	
		17,800.00

Furniture	2,400.00
Total assets	$ 64,713.84

Respectfully submitted,

AGNES E. STEELE, Treasurer.

AUDITOR'S CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that I have audited the books of the Reformed Presbyterian Home for Aged People for the year ending February 28th, 1920, and have found them to be correct.

W. E. RICHARDS, JR.

Pittsburgh, Pa., March, 1920.

REPORT OF JOSEPH M. STEELE—TREASURER OF THE FOREIGN BOARD

Syria Hospital Fund

Balance May 1, 1919		$6,078.48
Receipts—		
Support of beds	$330.00	
General use	15.00	
Bequests	120.00	
Interest on account	169.66	
		634.66
		$6,713.14
Less amount forwarded to field		560.00
		$6,153.14

Mersine Hospital Fund

Balance May 1, 1919		$6,336.95
Receipts—		
Support of beds	$ 40.00	
General use	160.00	
Bequests	80.00	
Interest on account	182.32	
		462.32
		$6,799.27

Latakia Church Building Fund

Balance May 1, 1919	$2,852.33
Interest on account	69.62
	$2,921.95

Latakia Dwelling Building Fund

Balance May 1, 1919	$3,515.25
Interest on account	82.50
	$3,597.75

Tarsus Building Fund

Balance May 1, 1919	$5,274.33
Interest on account	130.48
	$5,404.81

David Oliver Brown Memorial Fund

Balance May 1, 1919		$2,067.81
Interest on account		14.60
		$2,082.41
Less—		
Transferred to Levant Mission General Fund account deficit 1918-19	$1,201.25	
Transferred to Olive Trees for Synodical report	129.05	
		1,330.30
		$ 752.11

Isabella Stewart Martin Memorial Fund

Balance May 1, 1919		$3,424.02
Less—Transferred to Levant General Fund account deficit 1918-19		3,424.02

Semi-Centennial Fund

Balance May 1, 1919		$ 76.07
Interest on account		.74
		$ 76.81
Less—		
Synodical expenses of Rev R. A. Blair and Sundries		39.69
		$ 37.12

J. French Carithers Memorial Fund

Balance May 1, 1919	$3,625.00	
Receipts	3,766.14	
Interest on account	198.00	
		$7,589.14

There is also $3,200.00 (face value) of Liberty Bonds to the credit of this account.

Levant (Syrian Mission) General Fund

Receipts—		
Congregations	$19,909.72	
Sabbath schools and societies	2,961.85	
Individuals	7,341.64	
		$ 30,213.21
Bequests and Legacies—		
R. B. Adams	$ 25.00	
Richard Elliott	250.00	
Mrs. E. Marshall	474.75	
Joshua Faris	237.50	
		987.25
Dividends—		
David Gregg	$1,633.69	
Regular endowment	1,814.54	
Mrs. E. S. E. McKee	25.00	
D. and M. E. McKee	307.50	
Ryegate, Vermont, congregation	8.94	
		3,789.67

Balance transferred from Levant Emergency Fund...		18,612.90
Return of loan, E. I. Nathan, Esq.....		100.00
Balance of unused letter of credit, R. E. Willson.....		721.85
Transferred to account to make up deficit, 1918-19....		4,625.27
		$ 59,050.15
Less deficit, May 1, 1919		4,625.27
		$ 54,424.88
Disbursements—		
Syria (Latakia and Suadia Stations):		
Salaries $6,325.00		
Mission expense 6,952.42		
Travel 609.24		
	$ 13,886.66	
Asia Minor (Tarsus) Station:		
Salaries $5,650.00		
Mission expense (Inc. rent of Bldg.) 6,590.04		
Travel 2,998.19		
	15,238.23	
Cyprus Station:		
Salaries $6,396.68		
Mission expense 2,603.67		
Travel 2,476.42		
	11,476.77	
		40,601.66
Balance May 1, 1920 .....$		13,823.22

There is also $2,200.00 (face value) of Liberty Bonds to the credit of this account.

China Mission, General Fund

Receipts—		
Congregations .....$	34,287.43	
Sabbath schools and societies	1,552.12	
Individuals	8,360.93	
	$	44,200.48
Bequests and Legacies—		
R. B. Adams .....$	25.00	
Richard Elliott	250.00	
Joshua Faris	237.50	
		512.50
Dividends—		
David Gregg .....$	1,633.69	
Regular endowment	1,849.61	
Mrs. E. S. E. McKee	25.00	
D. and M. E. McKee	102.50	
Ryegate, Vermont, congregation	8.93	
		3,619.73
		$ 48,332.71
Less deficit, May 1, 1919		1,102.09
		$ 47,230.62

Disbursements—		
Salaries	$ 21,550.00	
Mission expense	9,131.46	
Travel	1,546.52	
		32,227.98
Balance May 1, 1920		$ 15,002.64

There is also to the credit of this account $2,900.00 (face value) of Liberty Bonds.

Syria Mission, Special Fund

Receipts—		
Relief	$ 10,621.31	
Education	374.85	
Support	30.00	
Discretion of Missionaries	800.00	
	$ 11,826.16	
Balance May 1, 1919	19,351.70	
		$ 31,177.86
Disbursements—		
Relief	$ 25,100.79	
Forwarding clothing and supplies	546.17	
		25,646.96
		$ 5,530.90

There is also $350.00 (face value) of Liberty Bonds to the credit of this account.

Asia Minor, Special Fund

Receipts—		
Support	$ 30.00	
Education	220.00	
	$250.00	
Balance May 1, 1919	72.00	
		$ 322.00
Cash forwarded		322.00

Cyprus Mission, Special Fund

Receipts—

Bequests and Legacies—To educate Theological students $110.00

No payments.

China Mission, Special Fund

Receipts—		
Support	$ 872.09	
Education	699.75	
Industrial education	823.64	
Bible woman	55.00	
Native workers	60.25	
Lady physician	660.00	
Discretion of Missionaries	300.00	
	$3,470.73	

Balance May 1, 1919	1,522.98	
		$4,993.71
Cash forwarded to Mission		3,605.31
Balance May 1, 1920		$1,388.40

There is also $1,100.00 (face value) of Liberty Bonds to the credit of this account.

Amounts Due Missionaries—		
Miss Maggie B. Edgar, Latakia		$ 20.00
Rev. Samuel Edgar, Latakia		149.95
Miss Rose A. Huston, China		2.50
Rev. Julius A. Kempf, China		59.50
Rev. A. I. Robb, China		10.00
Miss E. M. Stewart, China		50.00
		$291.95
Less Advances Made for Missionaries—		
Miss Maggie B. Edgar, Latakia	$ 68.25	
Rev. Samuel Edgar, Latakia	97.00	
Rev. R. E. Willson, Mersine	33.50	
Mr. Wilbur Weir, Cyprus	11.25	
Rev. Julius A. Kempf, China	33.11	
		243.11
		$ 48.84

There is also $100.00 (face value) in Liberty Bonds to the credit of Dr. J. M. Balph.

Secretary and Treasurer's Expense

Audit	$ 75.00	
Premium on Treasurer's Bond	50.00	
Office supplies and stationery	89.12	
Secretary's expense	384.96	
Advertising	249.60	
Telegrams	86.60	
Committee of Reference and Council	12.90	
Sundry expenses	31.42	
		$979.60

COMPARATIVE REPORT

	1919		1920	
	Receipts	Payments	Receipts	Payments
Levant Missions, General Fund	$ 18,111.55	$ 22,736.82	$ 54,424.88	$ 40,601.66
China Mission, General Fund	26,276.01	32,643.37	47,230.62	32,227.98
Syria Missions, Special Funds	17,002.76	7,082.15	11,826.16	25,646.96
Asia Minor Missions, Special Funds	30.00		250.00	322.00
Cyprus Missions, Special Funds	800.00	830.00	110.00	
China Missions, Special Funds	4,712.46	3,655.72	3,470.73	3,605.31
Jewish Mission	2,964.26	2,911.70	2,449.20	2,837.00
Church Erection	2,253.73	4,000.00	2,478,21	4,600.00
Olive Trees	1,528.25	1,460.49	1,666.57	1,734.55
Latakia Hospital	565.18		634.66	560.00
Mersine Hospital	531.02		462.32	
Latakia Church Fund	87.37		69.62	
Latakia Dwelling Fund	103.54		82.50	
Tarsus Building Fund	146.45		130.48	
D. O. Brown Fund	68.25		14.60	1,330.30
I. S. Martin Fund	101.32			3,424.02
Semi-Centennial Fund	21.96	377.57	.74	39.69
Rev. J. D. Shaw Fund		739.59		
J. French Carithers Memorial Fund	3,625.00		3,964.14	
Advances for Missionaries	106.29	140.39	140.39	243.11
Amounts due Missionaries	4,199.46		291.95	2,935.67
Other treasurers	936.45	1,071.45	360.62	360.62
	$ 84,171.31	$ 77,649.25	$130,058.39	$120,468.87
Receipts in excess		6,522.06		9,589.52
		$ 84,171.31		$130,058.39

Balance May 1, 1919	$ 65,115.92	
Net receipts, 1920	9,589.52	
		$ 74,705.44
Deposited as follows:		
Brown Brothers & Company	$ 62,676.81	
Central National Bank	6,513.03	
Bank of North America	5,515.60	
		74,705.44

Respectfully submitted,

JOS. M. STEELE, Treasurer.

SUPPLEMENT TO REPORT MADE APRIL 30, 1920, BY JOSEPH M. STEELE, TREASURER

I submit herewith supplemental report, showing amounts transmitted to China and Levant on account of supplements to salaries. The bulk of these funds came in at the close of the Church year, April 30, 1920, but too late to be transmitted prior to the making of the first report.

Levant Mission—General Fund

Balance May 1, 1920	$ 13,823.22
May 20, 1920, sent to field	10,000.00
Balance June 1, 1920	$ 3,823.22

China Mission—General Fund

Balance May 1, 1920	$ 15,002.64
May 20, 1920, sent to field	12,000.00
Balance June 1, 1920	$ 3,002.64

Respectfully submitted,

JOS. M. STEELE, Treasurer.

Joseph M. Steele, Esq., Treasurer,
1600 Arch Street, Philadelphia.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with your request we have audited the accounts of the Board of Foreign Missions, the Jewish Mission Board, and the Board of Church Erection of the Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America, from May 1, 1919, to April 30, 1920, and we certify that the annexed statement of balances in the various funds at April 30, 1920, has been properly prepared from the books and in our opinion is correct.

Yours very truly,

PRICE, WATERHOUSE & CO.

REPORT OF JOSEPH M. STEELE, TREASURER—STATEMENT OF BALANCES IN FUNDS APRIL 30, 1920.

Board of Foreign Missions:	
Syria Hospital Fund	$ 6,153.14
Mersine Hospital Fund	6,799.27

Latakia Church Building Fund	2,921.95	
Latakia Dwelling Building Fund	3,597.75	
Tarsus Building Fund	5,404.81	
David O. Brown Memorial Fund	752.11	
Semi-Centennial Fund	37.12	
J. French Carithers Memorial Fund	7,589.14	
Syria Mission, General Fund	13,823.22	
China Mission, General Fund	15,002.64	
Syria Mission, Special Fund	5,530.90	
Cyprus Mission, Special Fund	110.00	
China Mission, Special Fund	1,388.40	
		$ 69,110.45
Jewish Mission Board		1,288.10
Board of Church Erection		4,005.48
Olive Trees account		252.57

Amounts due Missionaries:

Maggie B. Edgar	$ 20.00	
Rev. Samuel Edgar	149.95	
Miss Rose A. Huston	2.50	
Rev. Julius A. Kempf	59.50	
Rev. A. I. Robb	10.00	
Miss E. M. Stewart	50.00	
	$291.95	

Less Advances made for Missionaries:

Maggie B. Edgar	$68.25	
Rev. Samuel Edgar	97.00	
Rev. R. E. Willson	33.50	
Wilbur Weir	11.25	
Rev. Julius A. Kempf	33.11	
	243.11	
		48.84
		$ 74,705.44

Deposited as follows:

Brown Brothers & Co., Philadelphia	$ 62,676.81	
Central National Bank	6,513.03	
Bank of North America	5,515.60	
		74,705.44

* Includes deposit made May 5, 1920, $25,462.32.

In addition to the cash balances as above, Liberty Bonds were received for the following funds and are held by the Treasurer:

China Mission, General Fund	$3,000.00	
China Mission, Special Fund	1,100.00	
Syria Mission, General Fund	2,750.00	
J. French Carithers Memorial Fund	3,200.00	
Syria Mission, Special Fund	350.00	
Dr. J. M. Balph	100.00	
		$ 10,500.00

REPORT OF JOSEPH M. STEELE, TREASURER OF JEWISH MISSION BOARD—STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT FROM MAY 1, 1919, TO APRIL 30, 1920

Receipts—		
Congregations		$1,609.14
Sabbath Schools and Societies		348.11
Individuals		98.16
Receipts direct to Mission		265.45
		$2,320.86
Dividends—		
Regular endowment	$91.67	
D. and J. A. McKee	36.67	
		128.34
		$2,449.20
Balance May 1, 1919		1,675.90
		$4,125.10
Disbursements—		
Salaries	$2,003.00	
Mission expense	834.00	
		2,837.00
Balance May 1, 1920		$1,288.10

REPORT OF JOSEPH M. STEELE, TREASURER OF BOARD OF CHURCH ERECTION—STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT FROM MAY 1, 1919, TO APRIL 30, 1920

Receipts—		
Congregations		$1,532.71
Sabbath Schools and Societies		19.40
Individuals		66.50
		$1,618.61
Dividends—		
Regular Endowment	$187.00	
David Gregg Endowment	594.08	
Interest on balance	78.52	
		859.60
		$2,478.21
Balance May 1, 1919		6,127.27
		$8,605.48
Disbursements—		
Loans on Mortgage:		
Youngstown, Ohio, congregation	$4,000.00	
Connellsville, Pa.	600.00	
		4,600.00
Balance May 1, 1920		$4,005.48

REPORT OF JOSEPH M. STEELE, TREASURER OF OLIVE TREES ACCOUNT—STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT FROM MAY 1, 1919, TO APRIL 30, 1920

Receipts—		
Transferred from D. O. Brown Fund	$ 129.05	
Transferred from China and Levant Mission Funds to meet deficit 12-31-'19	438.12	
Subscriptions (through Dr. Pearce)	1,099.40	
	$1,666.57	
Balance May 1, 1919	320.55	
		$1,987.12
Disbursements—		
Ludwig Printing House	$1,419.95	
Commercial Photo Engraving Co	14.45	
Expenses Dr. M. M. Pearce	300.15	
		1,734.55
Balance May 1, 1920		$ 252.57

REPORT OF BOARD OF CHURCH ERECTION

The Board of Church Erection respectfully reports:

Last year we made mention of the application of the Youngstown congregation for a loan of $6,000.00 to aid in building a new church. A loan of $4,000.00 was granted. The building has been completed, and when fully furnished will be one of our most attractive and up-to-date churches. We wish the congregation of Youngstown the utmost success in their work for the advancement of Christ's kingdom. We believe they occupy a field that will respond to faithful and persevering cultivation.

At a meeting of the Board held Nov. 18, 1919, an application from the Connellsville congregation for a loan of $600.00 was presented and considered. On motion the loan was granted on condition that the usual mortgage be given, and that the congregation endeavor to pay back to the Board $100.00 of the loan each year.

With sorrow and also with a realization of loss, the Board reports the death of Dr. R. M. Sommerville which occurred at his home in New York February 3, 1920. Dr. Sommerville became a member of the Board 35 years ago and was ever faithful and efficient. His work is finished upon earth, and he has entered upon his reward, and a new and eternal service for his Saviour in heaven.

Financial Statement

Receipts for the year		$2,478.21
Balance May 1, 1919		6,127.27
		$8,605.48
Loans and Mortgages:		
Youngstown	$4,000.00	

Connellsville	600.00	
		4,600.00
Balance May 1, 1920		$4,005.48

The Board asks for an appropriation of $3,000.00 for the present year.

The term for which R. M. Sommerville, F. M. Foster, E. W. Jones and A. D. McNeil were appointed to serve as members of the Board expires with this meeting of Synod and their successors should be chosen.

The Secretary was appointed to represent the Board on the floor of Synod.

Respectfully submitted,

R. J. BOLE, President.
R. C. MONTGOMERY, Secretary.

REPORT OF SYNOD'S BOARD OF TRUSTEES

To the Moderator and Members Reformed Presbyterian Synod:

Dear Brethren:

We herewith submit our Annaul Report, together with that of your Treasurer, for the year ending April 30th, 1920.

We report a prosperous year, due to the blessings of God. The Treasurer's report shows increased receipts in all departments.

All the income Real Estate on our Books was sold for $45,400.00. However we still hold some six pieces of vacant property at a selling price of $20,000.00.

The following bequests were received:

Mrs. Martha C. Ervin, Xenia, O—Domestic Mission and Home Missions $26.88 each; Aged People's Home, $26.90—total, $80.66.

Robert B. Adams, Utica, O.—Syria, China, Indian, Southern Missions, $25.00 each—total, $100.00.

J. L. McIntyre, Sterling, Kansas—For needy Boards, Synod's Board to decide, $200.00.

Richard Elliott, Morning Sun, Iowa—Foreign Missions $500.00.

S. E. McElhinney, Washington, Iowa—Theological Seminary, Southern, Indian, $100.00 each; China and Syrian Mission, $200.00 each—total $700.00.

Miss Margaret F. Edgar, Sterling, Kansas—For needy Boards, Synod to divide $757.91.

Mrs. Jane Greenlee, Mercer, Pa.—For Foreign Missions $854.74.

Joshua Faris, Mediapolis, Iowa—National Reform, $47.50; Geneva College and Temperance, $71.25 each; Washington, Iowa, congregation, Southern and Indian Missions, $95.00 each; China and Syrian Missions, $237.50 each—total, $950.00.

Mrs. Eliza Marshall, Morning Sun, Iowa—Syrian and Southern Missions, $475.00 each—total, $950.00.

Mrs. David Nichol, Albia, Iowa—Domestic, Southern Missions, Temperance, Geneva College, $425.00 each—total, $1,700.00.

Robert Kyle, Pine Creek, Pa., Congregation—Indian, Southern, Home, Syrian, China Missions, Aged People's Home, National Reform Association, $500.00 each for Current Account; Aged Ministers, Widows and Children, Geneva College and Pine Creek congregation, $500.00 each for Endowment Account. $800.00 to be used by the Synod of the R. P. Church. The residue to go to Foreign, Home, Southern and China Missions of the Reformed Presbyterian Church—total, $16,079.19.

Total bequests, $22,872.50.

The Wahoo, Nebraska church lots were sold, the net amount, $1,394.50, is at the disposal of Synod. Fairgrove, Mich. church sale netted $339.87 and $250.00 in Liberty Bonds, likewise for Synod's action.

The profits from the David Gregg Fund were $9,380.09, and all other funds $35,075.23, or total earnings of the office $44,455.32. An increase of $3,485.83 over last year. The interest charged various departments of the church for their overdrafts was $3,472.83.

Total amount of mortgages on hand $700,841.53, an increase of $97,392.50. Total assets $827,209.45, an increase of $69,390.30. Total expenses of the office $3,295.61, an increase of $102.46. Out of the earnings, a dividend of 5½ per cent was declared. The balance of the earnings amounting to $3,128.22, was credited to Contingent Account.

The term for which John M. Allen, William Blair, Oliver Wylie were made members, expires June 15th, 1920.

The books and accounts were audited by H. A. Stout, Public Auditor, and found correct as per certificate attached to the report of the Treasurer.

James S. Tibby with James H. McBurney as alternate, was appointed to represent the Board on the floor of Synod.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES S. TIBBY, Secretary-Treasurer.

Pittsburgh, Pa., May 28th, 1920.

Endowment Funds

Geneva College	$212,469.92
Mrs. S. J. Steele for Geneva College	1,000.00
Theological Seminary	71,405.42
Students Fund	16,776.88
Foreign Missions	65,983.54
Domestic Missions	46,136.42
Sustentation	100.00
Belle Center (Ohio) congregation	3,100.00
Southern Mission	7,147.95

Pine Creek (Pa.) congregation	500.00
China Mission	637.50
Indian Mission	3,666.66
Miss Joanna Speer for Indian Mission	471.88
Aged Minister's Fund	17,878.52
Jewish Mission	1,666.66
Witness	1,666.67
Reformed Presbyterian Women's Association	2,500.00
D. G. and J. A. McKee Fund	2,000.00
John L. Downie Fund	500.00
Widows and Children	12,270.02
Mrs. M. E. and Eda S. E. McKee	12,000.00
Church Erection	3,400.00
Rev. David and Mrs. M. E. McKee	10,000.00
Mrs. Eda S. E. McKee	2,000.00
Rev. and Mrs. J. J. McClurkin	100.00
Ryegate and Barnet (Vt.) congregations	850.00
Brooklyn (N. Y.) congregation	4,867.80
Iowa Presbytery	700.00
McKeesport and Monongahela congregation	9,948.32
Wilkinsburg (Pa.) congregation	500.00
American Bible Society	50.00
St. John N. B. (Canada) congregation	2,700.00
Cedar Rapids (Iowa) congregation	200.00
Johnathan's Creek (Ohio) congregation	977.75
Mars (Pa.) congregation	1,200.00
Adamsville (Pa.) congregation	418.94
Pittsburgh Presbytery Education	1,603.72
Pittsburgh Presbytery Investment	2,350.00
David Gregg Mortgage Fund	157,015.73
Mortgage Fund	542,641.53

David Gregg Mortgage Fund

May 1, 1919, balance	$152,400.00
Mortgages taken	25,600.00
	$178,000.00
Mortgages paid	19,800.00
May 1, 1920, balance	$158,200.00

David Gregg Mortgage Interest

Profits for the year		$9,380.09
Distributed as follows:		
Services in handling funds	$ 469.00	
Foreign Missions	3,267.38	
Domestic Missions	2,079.24	
Sustentation	594.07	
Church Erection	594.08	
Theological Seminary	594.08	
Southern Mission	594.08	
Widows and children	594.08	
Central Allegheny congregation	594.08	
		$9,380.09

Mortgage Fund

May 1, 1919, balance	$451,049.03
Mortgages taken	137,550.00
	$588,599.03
Mortgages paid	45,957.50
May 1, 1920, balance	$542,641.53

Interest Fund

Receipts from mortgages, rents, notes		$ 30,541.53
Receipts, sale houses		1,531.47
Receipts, overdrafts		3,002.23
		$ 35,075.23
Expenditures—		
Dividends and interest	$ 30,826.50	
Share office expenses	1,120.51	
Contingent account (profits)	3,128.22	
		35,075.23

Expense Account

Supplies and expenses	$ 116.88	
Rent	420.00	
Printing	12.00	
Phone	46.60	
Assistant	53.75	
R. R. expense	19.08	
Bond	25.00	
Insurance	9.35	
Car fare	4.70	
Auditing	88.25	
Salary	2,500.00	
		$3,295.61
Above expenses distributed viz:—		
Indian Mission	$ 230.69	
Theological Seminary	263.65	
Southern Mission	263.65	
Domestic Mission	494.34	
Geneva College	593.21	
Witness Fund	329.56	
Interest Fund	1,120.51	
		3,295.61

Cash Account

May 1, 1919, balance	$ 37,127.35
Receipts	305,664.62
	$342,791.97
Expenses	332,709.16
May 1, 1920, balance	$ 10,082.81

Contingent Fund

May 1, 1919, balance	$5,225.15

Profits for 1920		3,128.22
May 1, 1920, balance		$8,353.37

Geneva College Current Fund

May 1, 1919, balance overdrawn		$ 31,601.64
Receipts—		
Congregations, individuals, societies	$ 10,198.33	
Tuitions, fees, etc.	27,392.61	
Bequests	996.25	
Dividends	12,286.14	
Miscellaneous	9,072.98	
		59,946.31
		$ 28,344.67
Expenditures—		
Salaries	$ 37,824.74	
Expenses	6,293.45	
Supplies	11,373.65	
Repairs and improvements	8,563.90	
		64,055.74
May 1, 1920, balance overdrawn		$ 35,711.07

Geneva College Notes

May 1, 1919, balance	$8,085.13
May 1, 1920, balance	8,085.13

Science Hall Equipment

May 1, 1919, balance overdrawn	$2,870.66
Interest to 5-1-1920, on same	172.24
May 1, 1920, balance overdrawn	$3,042.90

Beaver Valley Campaign

Receipts—		
W. W. Potts, treasurer	$986.00	
War Saving Stamps	104.88	
Coupons	3.18	
		$1,094.06

Transferred to Current Account.

McKee Hall

Receipts—		
Mrs. M. E. McKee, per Robert Clarke	$ 25,164.93	
Interest to 5-1-'20 on same	1,156.24	
		$ 26,321.17
Balance on hand May 1, 1919		10,891.60
		$ 37,212.77
Expenditures—		
Architect	$2,500.00	
Excavating and supplies	1,040.00	
		3,540.00
May 1, 1920, balance		$ 33,672.77

Memorial Bible Chair

Receipts—		
Congregations, individuals, societies	$ 25,881.34	
Interest to 5-1-'20 on same	696.58	
		$ 26,577.92
Expenses in securing funds		1,087.34
May 1, 1920, balance		$ 25,490.58

Liberty Bonds for Bible Chair, $14,550.00.

Witness Account

May 1, 1919, balance		$ 4,991.32
Receipts—		
Christian Nation Fund	$ 543.60	
J. M. Coleman	373.05	
W. C. McClurkin	250.00	
Dividends	128.33	
Congregations, individuals, societies	8,714.69	
		10,009.67
		$ 15,000.99
Expenditures—		
Salaries of workers	$5,668.07	
Expenses of workers	1,902.46	
Advertisement	1,273.86	
Office expenses	2,390.46	
Printing	2,817.07	
Rent	288.00	
Service, share of expenses	329.56	
		14,699.48
May 1, 1920, balance		$ 331.51

War Service Fund

May 1, 1919, balance		$924.04
Receipts—		
Congregations, individuals, societies		64.49
		$988.53
Expenditures—		
Postage and printing		12.25
May 1, 1920, balance		$976.28

Domestic Mission

May 1, 1919, balance		$ 1,267.24
Receipts—		
Congregations, individuals, societies	$8,649.44	
Mrs. Martha C. Ervin Bequest	53.76	
Mrs. David Nichol Bequest	425.00	
Robert Kyle Bequest	500.00	
Sustentation Fund—two years	1,096.43	
David Gregg 1920 dividend	2,079.24	
Regular 1920 dividend	2,537.50	
		15,341.37
		$ 16,608.61

Expenditures—		
Central Canada Presbytery	$1,065.82	
Colorado Presbytery	450.00	
Illinois Presbytery	508.75	
Iowa Presbytery	1,329.62	
Kansas Presbytery	1,896.54	
New York Presbytery	1,310.99	
Ohio Presbytery	1,752.84	
Pacific Coast Presbytery	1,827.53	
Philadelphia Presbytery	200.00	
Pittsburgh Presbytery	2,044.58	
N. B. and N. S. Presbytery	550.00	
Rochester Presbytery	474.97	
R. R. expenses Rev. McNeel	54.00	
Evangelistic work	247.40	
Printing	23.21	
Interest on overdraft	105.71	
Share of office expenses	494.34	
Recording Secretary	50.00	
		14,386.30
May 1, 1920, balance		$ 2,222.31

Southern Mission

May 1, 1919, balance overdrawn		$ 799.08
Receipts—		
Congregations, individuals, societies	$5,947.96	
Mrs. David Nichol Bequest	425.00	
S. E. McElhinney Bequest	100.00	
Joshua Faris Bequest	95.00	
Robert B. Adams Bequest	25.00	
Mrs. Eliza Marshall Bequest	474.75	
Robert Kyle Bequest	500.00	
Beloit Mission	2.00	
Receipts at Selma	4,080.92	
David Gregg 1920 dividend	594.08	
Regular 1920 dividend	393.14	
		12,637.85
		$ 11,838.77
Expenditures—		
R. R. fare	$ 415.63	
Insurance	219.45	
Supplies	1,349.69	
Repairs	1,333.00	
Salaries	9,170.50	
Brass Band	100.00	
Advertisement	76.80	
Expenses at Selma	3,777.39	
Interest on overdraft	197.70	
Service in handling funds	263.65	
		16,903.81
May 1, 1920, balance overdrawn		$ 5,065.04

Indian Mission

May 1, 1919, balance		$1,517.92
Receipts—		
Congregations, individuals, societies	$3,243.89	
Receipts at Mission	1,597.81	
W. P. M. S. Pitts. Presby	1,200.00	
S. E. McElhinney Bequest	100.00	
Joshua Faris Bequest	95.00	
Robert Kyle Bequest	500.00	
1920 dividends	227.62	
		6,964.32
		$8,482.24
Expenditures—		
Supplies	$ 6.48	
R. R. fare workers	92.30	
Insurance	189.00	
Expenses at Mission	2,500.88	
Salaries	3,265.00	
Share of office expenses	230.69	
		6,284.35
May 1, 1920, balance		$2,197.89

Temperance Fund

May 1, 1919, balance overdrawn		$1,075.01
Receipts—		
Congregations, individuals, societies	$1,102.13	
Mrs. David Nichol Bequest	425.00	
Joshua Faris Bequest	71.25	
		1,598.38
		$ 523.37
Expenditures—		
Salaries	$ 290.00	
R. R. fare	85.91	
Printing and postage	1,151.12	
Interest on overdraft	28.52	
		1,555.55
May 1, 1920, balance overdrawn		$1,032.18

Theological Seminary

May 1, 1919, balance		$ 4,736.15
Receipts—		
Congregations, individuals, societies	$1,794.44	
S. E. McElhinney Bequest	100.00	
David Gregg 1920 dividend	594.08	
Regular 1920 dividends	3,945.17	
Balance of rents	92.94	
		6,526.63
		$ 11,262.78

Expenditures—		
Salary—R. C. Wylie	$3,000.00	
R. J. G. McKnight	3,000.00	
G. M. Sleeth	500.00	
Mrs. D. B. Willson	333.32	
W. A. Lafferty	42.00	
J. S. McGaw	10.00	
A. Kilpatrick	20.00	
R. J. G. McKnight R. R. expenses	301.55	
W. R. Sterrett R. R. expenses	15.42	
Services in handling funds	263.65	
		7,485.94
May 1, 1920, balance		$ 3,776.84

Theological Seminary Library

May 1, 1919, balance		$276.16
Receipts—		
Congregations, individuals, societies		69.50
		$345.66
Expenditures—		
Books	$79.88	
Magazines	52.05	
		131.93
May 1, 1920, balance		$213.73

Memorial Building Fund

Receipts—		
Park Institute rent	$1,000.00	
Merchandise sold	.70	
		$1,000.70
Expenditures—		
Supplies	$ 9.42	
Heat and light	84.64	
Cleaning	44.25	
Repairs	201.08	
Insurance	180.00	
Taxes	388.37	
Balance to Theo. Sem., current ac	92.94	
		1,000.70

Students Aid Fund

May 1, 1919, balance		$2,619.29
Receipts—		
Congregations, individuals, societies	$ 5.00	
T. E. Graham, acct. note	20.00	
1920 dividend	922.73	
		947.73
		$3,567.02
Expenditures—		
David M. Edgar	$500.00	

M. R. Jamison	440.00	
Frank L. Stewart	400.00	
J. W. Dodds	250.00	
Secretary's expenses	2.09	
		1,592.09
May 1, 1920, balance		$1,974.93

Aged Ministers Fund

May 1, 1919, balance		$2,734.06
Receipts—		
Congregations, individuals, societies	$2,580.43	
1920 dividend	955.82	
		3,536.25
		$6,270.31
Expenditures—		
P. P. Boyd	$600.00	
T. C. Sproull	500.00	
W. S. Fulton	400.00	
I. A. Blackwood	600.00	
S. J. Crowe	300.00	
T. A. McElwain	200.00	
Thomas Patton	500.00	
Secretary's expenses	2.09	
		3,102.09
May 1, 1920, balance		$3,168.22

Widows and Children Deceased Ministers

May 1, 1919, balance		$1,478.28
Receipts—		
Congregations, individuals, societies	$1,112.63	
David Gregg 1920 dividend	594.08	
Regular 1920 dividend	647.35	
Mrs. R. J. Gault note on acct	114.75	
		2,468.81
		$3,947.09
Expenditures—		
Mrs. Myrta M. Dodds	$500.00	
Miss Martha Cannon	200.00	
Miss Juliet Cannon	175.00	
Miss Juliet McDonald	175.00	
Miss Anna B. George	175.00	
Mrs. D. H. Coulter	200.00	
Mrs. Jennie S. Faris	200.00	
Mrs. Agnes C. Willson	100.00	
Miss R. E. Middleton	100.00	
Mrs. D. C. Faris	200.00	
Secretary's expenses	2.08	
		2,027.08
		$1,920.01

Forward Movement

Receipts—		
Congregations, individuals, societies	$119.00	
Receipts per D. H. Elliott, Secy	310.50	
		$ 429.50
Expenditures—		
Office equipment	$ 378.00	
Salary Secretary	1,458.31	
Office and Secretary's expenses	1,087.31	
Advertisements	314.70	
Interest on overdraft	50.17	
		3,288.49
May 1, 1920, balance overdrawn		$2,858.99

	Real Estate	Furniture and Fixtures	Stocks & Bonds
Geneva College	$398,700.00	$ 39,769.50	$ 24,650.00
Theological Seminary	15,000.00		
Southern Mission			50.00
Witness			50.00

JAMES S. TIBBY, Treasurer.

Auditor's Certificate

I, the undersigned, appointed by the Trustees of the Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America to audit the accounts of James S. Tibby, Treasurer, would respectfully report that I have examined the accounts, cash in banks and find same correct as per report to the 1920 Synod.

H. A. STOUT, Public Auditor.

Pittsburgh, Pa., May 29th, 1920.

The Treasurer of the Literary Fund reported. The report was accepted and is as follows:

FINANCIAL REPORT OF LITERARY FUND

May 1st, 1919, balance		$ 979.26

Receipts

Traveling Fund	$283.47	
Sale of Literature	223.83	
Sale of 1919 Minutes	284.50	
Collections from congregations	325.18	
		1,116.98
		$2,096.24

Expenditures

Traveling Fund	$ .75
Synodical Booklet	10.00
Expenses Synod's Clerk	4.76
Cable to J. S. Martin	4.30
Synodical printing	3.00
Synodical Music Committee	4.00
Printing	33.09

Cut Moderator ½ expense	1.87	
Postage	22.13	
Books	7.50	
Dues Western Alliance	40.00	
J. D. Edgar, Young People's Work	144.35	
1919 Minutes of Synod	405.43	
R. R. expenses 1920 Psalter Com	126.83	
Plates and type 1920 Psalter	905.64	
Printing 500 testimonies	395.19	
		2,108.84
May 1, 1920, balance overdrawn		$ 12.60

JAMES S. TIBBY, Treasurer.

THE MISSION CONFERENCE REPORT

The Mission Conference of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America met in the Reformed Presbyterian Church, Greeley, Colorado, at 11:00 A. M. June 2, 1920. The Conference was called to order by the President of the Central Board of Missions, Robert Park, and opened by prayer by him. Robert Park was elected chairman; R. W. Redpath, clerk; J. Boyd Tweed, assistant clerk.

Thirty-one congregations and mission stations applied to this conference for aid and the request, in full or part, of thirty was granted. The one request not granted was that of the Topeka congregation to carry on home missionary work in Irving Place. As to this, the Mission Conference was of the opinion that it was not within its powers to recommend support to an additional congregational worker. The number of congregations applying for Domestic Mission funds is thirteen less than last year. Those applying and the recommendations of the Conference concerning the same are as follows:

Central Canada Presbytery

Content—$550.00 for pastor or stated supply.

Regina—$800.00 for pastor or stated supply if they raise $1,000.00.

Winnipeg—$900.00 if they raise $1,100.00.

Illinois Presbytery

Church Hill—$5.00 per day up to $200.

Selma—$600 if they raise $400, unless they are put under Central Board.

Iowa Presbytery

Chicago—$920 if they raise $1,080.

Washington—$600 if they raise $800, and if pastor teaches but half time; if he teaches more an adjustment to be made with Central Board.

Kansas Presbytery

Tabor—$400 if they make Every-Member Canvass and after they have raised $500.

N. B. and N. S. Presbytery

Barnesville—$9 for every Sabbath they have preaching.
Cornwallis—$800 if they raise $600.

New York Presbytery

Brooklyn—$950 if they raise $1,050.
Coldenham—$600 if they raise $600.
White Lake—$600 if they raise $800.
Montclair—$1,000 if they raise $1,000 for pastor.

Pacific Coast Presbytery

Fresno—$1,000 if they raise $1,000. This subject to the approval of the Pacific Coast Presbytery.

Philadelphia Presbytery

Orlando—$400 if they raise $700.

Pittsburgh Presbytery

Connellsville—$500 for pastor.
East End—$500 if they raise $1,500.
Youngstown—$800 if they raise $1,200.
Syrian—$1,200 if they raise $800.
Bear Run, Mahoning and Johnsonburg—$700 for pastor; $300 for supplies.
Rehoboth—$750 if they raise $650.
Pine Creek and Union—$500.

Ohio Presbytery

Hetherton—$500 if they raise $900.
Jonathan's Creek—$450 if they raise $950.
Bellefontaine—$800 if they raise $800.
Cedarville—$300 if they raise $700. If pastor teaches, an adjustment to be made with Central Board.
Ray—$750 for stated supply or pastor if they raise $650.
Belle Center—$400 if they raise $900.

Rochester Presbytery

Lochiel—$600 if they raise $400 in cash.

The recommendations amount to $19,870. The Conference further recommends:

1. That Synod appropriate $25,000 for the Domestic Mission Fund.
2. That Kansas Presbytery carry on the work of Irving Place Mission at Topeka, Kansas.
3. That Synod devise some way whereby both Selma congregation and Selma Mission may be placed under the same management.
4. That the minimum salaries of all congregations be $1,400 in towns under 5,000 population; $1,600 in places between 5,000 and 10,000; $1,800 in places between 10,000 and 50,000, and $2,000 in cities over 50,000.

5. That congregations owning parsonages and applying for aid from the Domestic Mission Fund shall include the value of the rental of the parsonage as part of the minimum salary.
6. That pastors receiving less than the minimum salary according to Synod's classification be directed to make known the fact to the Central Board which shall have authority to make such adjustments as will insure the pastor the minimum salary.
7 That the sessions of vacant congregations prepare a list of their members together with their addresses and that such a list be placed in the hands of each supply in order that he may visit them.
8. That the congregations receiving supplies should assist the minister in the work of visiting the people not related to the churches of the community.
9. That the minister aim to give not less than two or three afternoons a week to this work.
10. That the Clerk of Synod be directed to notify the financial board of each congregation as to the minimum salary required for the support of its pastor, according to its classification and that he notify the congregations making application for aid, the action of Synod concerning the same.
11. That a Committee composed of George S. Coleman, J. Boyd Tweed and J. S. Thompson present to Synod a supplement to the present questionnaire for aid-receiving congregations.

The Conference Clerk was instructed:

1. To recommend that Chicago session and congregation resume Young People's work and evening service.
2. To write to congregations not reporting planned mission work that same was noted and that some such work would be expected with next year's application.
3. To request New York Presbytery for information concerning the residence of Brooklyn's pastor, outside the bounds of his congregation, said information to be presented to Mission Conference next year.
4. To write the Denver,Beulah,Stafford,Topeka,Portland,Hemet, Santa Ana, Brookland and Minneola congregations expressing the appreciation of the Conference for their effort in becoming self-sustaining; and to Vernon, Billings and West Hebron, that they do not lose heart in their discouraging circumstances.

Respectfully reported,

ROBT. PARK, Chairman.
R. W. REDPATH, Clerk.

The Committee on Time and Place of Meeting submitted the following report which was adopted:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TIME AND PLACE OF MEETING

The matter of the time of meeting was referred to us, Synod

having already decided to meet next year in the Eighth Street Church of Pittsburgh.

Your committee would recommend that when Synod adjourns, it adjourn to meet on Wednesday, June 8th, 1921, at 10:00 A. M.

Committee:

W. A. AIKIN,
MELVILLE K. CARSON,
J. THOS. McKELVEY,

Preceding the hearing of memorials for deceased ministers, Synod was led in prayer by T. M. Slater.

The minute on the death of D. C. Faris was submitted by the Committee of which G. M. Robb was chairman; that for R. M. Sommerville was read by J. M. Foster; and that for W. P. Johnston by R. H. Martin. J. B. Gilmore led in prayer. The memorials were adopted, and are as follows:

MINUTE ON THE DEATH OF D. C. FARIS

Daniel Cargill Faris was a prince of God. Modest and unassuming in manner, keen in intellect, and deeply spiritual. He lived his life in the presence of men, but he walked with God.

Born of godly parents June 21, 1843, at Bloomington, Indiana, he enjoyed exceptionally good educational advantages.

He graduated from Indiana University in 1863. He taught in a Mission School at Natchez, Mississippi, for some time, and was licensed by Illinois Presbytery April 21, 1869. He labored in Lake Reno and Round Prairie, Minnesota, for two years, was ordained to the ministry by New York Presbytery and installed pastor of the congregation of Barnet, Vermont, June 25, 1873. He remained pastor of this congregation for more than forty-six years.

He was married to Mary A. Russell of Round Prairie, Minnesota, November 15, 1870, and with her, as his companion, passed almost forty-nine years of life.

After a protracted illness he quietly and peacefully closed his eyes on the scenes of earth on October 2, 1919.

He leaves a memory that will not fade, because of the impress he made on immortal souls. G. M. ROBB.

REV. ROBERT McGOWAN SOMMERVILLE, D. D.

Born in Grand Pre, Nova Scotia, October 14, 1837, tutored by his father, Rev. William Sommerville, graduated from Queen's College, Belfast, Ireland, 1860, studied theology under Professors Houston and Chancellor, licensed by the Eastern Presbytery of Ireland, January 3, 1861, ordained and installed co-pastor with his father, of the United congregations of Cornwallis and Horton, N. S., October 16, 1861, made pastor of Wolfville, where he built

a house of worship in 1862, and became Inspector of Schools for Kings County which he continued for ten years, married to Miss Elizabeth Chipman, of Cornwallis, September 13, 1865, migrated to the States, November 13, 1873, served as stated supply in the R. P. congregation of Cincinnati, Ohio, for one year, and in the Second New York congregation for another year, installed pastor of Second New York December 14, 1875, made corresponding secretary of the Foreign Board of Missions, founded the Herald of Mission News, January, 1887, (which became Olive Trees and continues to this day as the organ of our Foreign Mission propaganda), made ineffective by an express team running him down on the street of New York, he retired, like Alexander Paden after imprisonment in the Bass Rock, to become an intercessor with God for the promotion of the regal claims of our Blessed Lord, and was gathered unto his fathers, February 3, 1920, being above four-score and two years old.

WILLIAM POLLOCK JOHNSTON

William Pollock Johnston, D. D., LL. D., was born near Hopedale, Ohio, January 26, 1839, and died at Beaver Falls, Pa., February 6, 1920. He received part of his college education at Geneva College and the remainder at Jefferson College, graduating from the latter in 1858. His theological course was taken in the Allegheny Reformed Presbyterian Seminary. He was licensed by the Lakes Presbytery May 22, 1862. He was ordained by the Philadelphia Presbytery and installed pastor of the R. P. congregation of Baltimore, Md., August 4, 1864, and resigned this charge July 13, 1873. He was pastor of the R. P. congregation of Washington, Iowa, from October 16, 1873, to August 4, 1881. From the fall of 1879 to the fall of 1881, he was also principal of the Washington (Iowa) Academy. In the summer of 1881 he accepted the chair of Latin and English Literature in Geneva College, and continued in this position until the summer of 1890, when he was elected President of Geneva College. He filled this position for seventeen years. Upon his resignation in 1907 he was made President-Emeritus. After a short period of service as Principal of the Academy at Mercer, Pa., he again entered the service of Geneva College, securing students and funds, and continued in this work until his death.

Dr. Johnston was a man of fine personality, of Christian culture and refinement. The candlestick of his life was of beaten gold. His great life-work was done in connection with Geneva College. He loved Geneva as his own soul and devoted his life, with marked usefulness, to her interests. He inspired many to live noble lives. Scores of men are in the Christian ministry today because of his influence. To the church and Kingdom of God he rendered a great service. R. H. MARTIN.

J. C. McFeeters was appointed to prepare a memorial on the death of T. J. Wilson for publication in the Minutes of Synod.

The Minutes of the afternoon session were read and approved.

Synod adjourned with prayer by the Moderator, singing the 133rd Psalm, and the benediction, pronounced by the Moderator, who then declared the Synod adjourned to meet in the Eighth Street Reformed Presbyterian Church, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, on Wednesday, June 8th, 1921, at 10:00 A. M.

A. J. McFARLAND, Moderator.
D. C. MATHEWS, Clerk.
E. A. CROOKS, Assistant Clerk.

APPENDIX

SUPPLEMENTARY LIST OF QUESTIONS TO BE USED IN MAKING APPLICATION TO THE DOMESTIC MISSION CONFERENCE

1. What is the exact present population of the town or community of pastor's residence?
2. What year was this count made?
3. How many Covenanter members in town? How many in the country? How many over three miles from church? How far away is the farthest resident member?
4. How many churches draw members from the same field? Of what denominations and with what membership?
5. How long since you have made an exact religious survey of your neighborhood?
6. How many homes are there in your territory not in active touch with other churches?
7. Has there been much moving into your territory in the past year? Of what character?
8. What is the exact average salary per month of the teachers and principal of your nearest high school? (Not including the superintendent unless he acts chiefly as a high school teacher.)
9. Give whatever information you think best concerning other local ministers' salaries so far as this may indicate the comparative cost of living in your community.

Congregation-Roll

1. How many members did you report last year? How many this year?
2. How many received by Covenanter certificate? Other certificate and profession? By confession of faith from Covenanter homes? From other than Covenanter homes?
3. How many were dismissed by letter to a Covenanter congregation? Supposedly to leave the denomination? How much decrease in number by death?
4. How many were dropped by purging the roll? Was each one notified before his name was taken from the roll?

5. What is the estimated average age of the membership? How many members under 21 years of age? How many over 60 years of age?
6. How many baptised children under 12 years of age not yet in full communion? How many 12 years of age and older not yet in full communion?

Congregation—Work Within

7. How many of your members have been in attendance at Geneva in the last five years? How many ministers from your congregation in the last twenty years?
8. How are you supplied with preaching? Pastor, stated supply, or occasional supply? If by occasional supply, how many Sabbaths?
9. What is the average attendance at morning preaching? At evening? At Sabbath School? At Young People's Society? At weekly prayer meeting? How much record of these facts is kept?
10. How long since official family visitation was conducted in the congregation?
11. How many tithers in the congregation? How long since the congregation has been canvassed on the tithe?
12 What was the per capita giving this year?
13. Has the every member canvass been conducted this year? Do the canvassers present a budget of both local and general work as basis of their appeal? If you have not had the canvass will you have it?

Congregation—Missionary Activity

1. How many outsiders, on an average, attend the morning preaching? Evening service? Young People's Society? Sabbath School? How much record of these facts is kept? How many children from non-Covenanter homes on the Sabbath School roll?
2. How much time has been devoted by the pastor or supply to visiting in homes of the congregation?
3. Has this work been reported to the Central Board each two months of the past year?
4. How many of the members of the congregation have given time to visiting for religious purposes in other than church homes? How many have at least once invited someone to either church service or Sabbath School in the past year?
5. How much literature has been given or sent to the unchurched? Who have given it? Have you a mailing list for this?
6. How much literature has been given or sent relating to our distinctive principles? How many ministers interviewed? Who have done this work? Have you a regular mailing list for this?
7. Does the congregation use any money for local missionary work other than paying part of the pastor's salary?

8. Does the congregation need money for such local missionary work? If so, how much and for what? (Be very definite.)
9. Does the Domestic Mission Fund—at least 95% of which is for other weak congregations than your own—receive approximately its share in your giving to the schemes?

GEO. S. COLEMAN, Chairman.
J. BOYD TWEED,
J. S. THOMPSON.

BOARDS, COMMITTEES, ETC.

Foreign Mission Board— *Term Expires*

F. M. Foster, Ph. D., J. C. McFeeters, D. D., F. M. Wilson, D. D., Rev. J. B. Willson, R. J. Bole, S. R. Boggs 1921

R. C. Montgomery, D. D., S. A. S. Metheny, M. D., W. G. Carson, Joseph M. Steele 1922

A. A. Samson, D. D., M. M. Pearce, D. D., Rev. J. W. F. Carlisle, Rev. R. A. Blair, Rev. S. J. Johnston 1923

President, S. A. S. Metheny; Vice President, J. C. McFeeters; Treasurer, Joseph M. Steele; Corresponding Secretary, F. M. Wilson.

Central Board of Missions— *Term Expires*

R. H. Martin, D. D., Rev. Robert Park, Rev. E. L. McKnight, J. S. Tibby..... 1921

T. H. Acheson, D. D., R. J. G. McKnight, D. D., Rev. S. G. Conner, Rev. J. C. Slater, Rev. J. B. Willson 1922

W. J. Coleman, D. D., R. C. Wylie, LL. D., Rev. R. C. Reed, A. C. Coulter 1923

Stated meetings in room 408 Penn Building, Pittsburgh, Pa., on the third Monday in June, September, November, January, March and May.

President, Rev. Robert Park; Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer, James S. Tibby.

Jewish Mission Board— *Term Expires*

J. C. McFeeters, D. D., W. G. Carson, Daniel Adams 1921

R. C. Montgomery, D. D., S. A. S. Metheny, M. D., John Buchanan 1922
F. M. Wilson, D. D., M. M. Pearce, D. D., Rev. S. J. Johnston, Ralph W. Duncan, Ph. D..... 1923
President, J. C. McFeeters; Secretary, M. M. Pearce.

Synod's Board of Trustees— *Term Expires*
Geo. A. McKee, Wm. J. Ward, Robt. M. Young.. 1921
J. A. McAteer, J. H. McBurney, J. S. Tibby.... 1922
J. M. Allen, William Blair, Oliver Wylie..... 1923
Stated Meetings in Room 408 Penn Building, Pittsburgh, Pa., on the second Thursday of February, May August and November.
Secretary and Treasurer, J. S. Tibby.

Board of Control— *Term Expires*
Rev. W. C. Allen, J. P. Baird..... 1921
Rev. H. G. Patterson, S. O. Carson..... 1922
O. L. Samson, A. F. Reid 1923
Rev. W. G. Robb, W. J. Marshall..... 1924
Annual meeting the second Tuesday of October.
President, A. F. Reid; Secretary, Rev. H. G. Patterson.

Board of Church Erection— *Term Expires*
R. C. Montgomery, D. D., Rev. J. B. Willson, S. A. S. Metheny, M. D..... 1921
A. A. Samson, D. D., R. J. Bole, Joseph M. Steele 1922
F. M. Foster, Ph. D., F. M. Wilson, D. D., A. D. McNeil, Evan W. Jones 1923
President, R. J. Bole; Secretary, R. C. Montgomery.

Board of Superintendents of Theological Seminary— *Term Expires*
Rev. A. A. Johnston, Charles McElhinney, W. R. Sterrett, Evan W. Jones..... 1921
W. J. Coleman, D. D., M. M. Pearce, D. D., F. M. Wilson, D. D., J. D. McAnlis, William Esler... 1922
T. H. Acheson, D. D., F. M. Foster, Ph. D., Rev. Robert Park, Rev. J. B. Willson, Rev. D. C. Mathews, John R. Steele 1923
President, W. J. Coleman; Secretary, J. B. Willson.

Board of Corporators of Geneva College—

Stated meeting 8 A. M. Friday of Synod week.

President, J. C. McFeeters, D. D.; Secretary, G. M. Robb.

Board of Trustees of Geneva College—

President, R. C. Wylie, D. D.; Secretary, R. M. Pearce, 3115 Fifth Avenue, Beaver Falls, Pa.

Superintendent of the Southern Mission—

George A. Edgar, D. D., Knox Academy, Selma Alabama.

Superintendent of the Indian Mission—

W. W. Carithers, D. D., Apache, Oklahoma.

In Charge of the Jewish Mission—

Misses Annie Forsythe and Emma McFarland, 800 South Fifth Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

Secretary Forward Movement—

Rev. D. H. Elliott, 1101 W. 10th Street, Topeka, Kansas.

Secretary Young People's Work—

Rev. J. D. Edgar, Olathe, Kansas.

Chairmen of Permanent Committees—

Temperance, W. W. Carithers, D. D., Apache, Oklahoma.

Systematic Beneficence, Rev. E. K. Patton, Winchester, Kansas.

Bible Reading Folders—Rev. O. F. Thompson, Houston, Ill.

Evangelistic Work—Rev. Robert Park, Parnassus, Pa.

Change of Oath, J. W. Pritchard, 1105 Tribune Building, New York.

Witness, R. J. G. McKnight, Reformed Presbyterian Seminary.

Corresponding Secretary, Miss Callie M. Morton, 119 Federal Street, N. S. Pittsburgh, Pa.

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Church Erection, Jewish Mission, Mission in China, Syrian Mission, Joseph M. Steele, 1600 Arch Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

Reformed Presbyterian Woman's Association, Mrs. Agnes E. Steele, 321 Lehigh Avenue, Pittsburgh, Pa.

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Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. G. A. McKee, 2430 Perrysville Avenue, N. S., Pittsburgh, Pa.

Treasurer, Mrs. Agnes E. Steel, 321 Lehigh Avenue, Pittsburgh, Pa.

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Colorado—Clerk, Rev. J. B. Gilmore, La Junta; Supplies, S. E. Greer, 795 S. Grant St., Denver, Colorado.

Illinois—Clerk, Rev. M. K. Carson, Sparta; Supplies, W. O. Ferguson, Oakdale, Illinois.

Iowa—Clerk and Supplies, Rev. W. G. Robb, 945 E. Washington St., Washington, Iowa.

Kansas—Clerk, J. M. Rutherford, Billings, Okla.; Supplies, D. R. Taggart, 922 Clay Street, Topeka, Kansas.

N. B. and N. S.—Rev. Thomas McFall, Somerset, Nova Scotia.

New York—Clerk and Supplies, Rev. Boyd A. White, Walton, N. Y.

Ohio—Clerk, Rev. J. C. French, Birmingham, Michigan; Supplies, Rev. R. W. Piper, Belle Center, Ohio.

Pacific Coast—Clerk and Supplies, Rev. F. D. Frazer, 1206 Haight Avenue, Portland, Oregon.

Philadelphia—Clerk, Rev. S. J. Johnston, 5125 Webster St.., Philadelphia.

Pittsburgh—Clerk, Rev. J. B. Willson, 810 South Avenue, Wilkinsburg.

Rochester—Clerk, Rev. A. A. Wylie, 2506 South State St., Syracuse, N. Y.

FORM OF BEQUEST

I do give and bequeath to the Board of Trustees of the Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America ..... dollars to be credited to endowment (or current account, according to wish of donor) of the following schemes:

REAL ESTATE

I do give and devise and bequeath to the Board of Trustees of the Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America, its successors and assigns forever, all that certain piece of land situate in..... .....the proceeds from the sale of same to be devoted to the endowment (or current account, according to the wish of the donor) of the following schemes:

STATISTICS OF THE PRESBYTERIES FOR THE YEAR ENDING APRIL 30, 1920.

CENTRAL CANADA

CONGREGATIONS	MINISTERS	ADDRESS	Elders	Deacons	Inc. in Membership, on Profession	Inc. in Membership, by Certificate	Dec. in Membership, by death	Dec. in Membership, by dismissal	Communicants	Baptisms	Sabbath School Enrollment	Y. P. S. Membership	CONTRIBUTIONS: Syrian Mission	Mission in China	Domestic Mission	Southern Mission	Indian Mission	Jewish Mission	Theological Seminary	Geneva College	Church Erection	Aged People's Home	National Reform	Witness Bearing	Temperance Fund	Ministers' Widows' and Orphans' Fund	Students' Aid	Salary Paid by Congregation	Parsonage	Tithers	Miscellaneous	Literary Fund	Total
Content	W. E. Taylor, Cor.	Nevis, Alberta	3	3	..	..	..	..	18	..	18	....	$ 14	$ 15	$ 5	$ 5	$ 5	$ 3	$ 3	$ 5	$ 3	$ 3	$ 5	$ 8	$ 5	$ 3	$5	$ 271	No	10	$ 176	..	$ 53
Lake Reno	Jos. Hogan, Jr., Cor.	Glenwood, Minn.	2	4	..	..	..	..	47	..	22	....	154	58	....	35	....	....	....	....	....	....	5	15	....	....	..	....	Yes	....	462	..	72
Regina	A. W. Edgar, Cor.	2127 Smith St., Regina	2	2	..	..	..	11	51	..	25	....	124	36	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	10	....	....	....	....	..	766	No	4	244	..	118
Winnipeg	F. E. Allen	745 Beverley St., Winnipeg	3	2	3	3	1	1	37	1	135	....	59	16	11	6	2	....	6	33	5	....	....	15	4	16	..	941	No	16	837	..	195
	D. B. Elsey	Hetherton, Mich.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	..	....	....	....	....	..	....
Congregations, 4	Ministers, 2	Total	10	11	3	3	1	12	153	1	200	....	$ 351	$ 125	$ 16	$ 46	$ 7	$ 3	$ 9	$ 38	$ 8	$ 13	$ 10	$ 38	$ 9	$ 19	$5	$ 1978		30	$ 1719	..	$ 439

COLORADO

Denver	Samuel E. Greer	45 S. Logan St., Denver, Colo.	6	6	1	6	1	5	68	2	132	31	$ 554	$ 656	$ 40	$ 15	$ 10	$ 15	$ 10	$ 32	$ 2	$ 5	$ 5	$181	$ 5	$ 30	$	$ 1400	No	25	$ 2553	..	$ 551
Greeley	Charles T. Carson	1426 12th Ave., Greeley, Colo.	6	8	10	30	1	4	162	4	164	56	1225	580	....	10	....	....	....	....	....	10	....	100	....	....	..	1717	No	56	3216	..	685
La Junta	J. B. Gilmore	814 Carson Ave., La Junta, Colo	4	4	..	1	..	6	50	..	90	15	456	503	5	19	7	46	....	10	6	16	....	52	....	....	..	1400	No	22	642	..	316
	Samuel Edgar	Latakia, Syria	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	..	....	....	....	....	..	....
	W. J. McBurney	Orlando, Florida	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	..	....	....	....	....	..	....
	H. B. McMillan	Greeley, Colorado	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	..	....	....	....	....	..	....
	A. I. Robb	Tak Hing Chau, W. Rivr S. China	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	..	....	....	....	....	..	....
	J. K. Robb	Tak Hing Chau, W. Rivr S. China	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	..	....	....	....	....	..	....
Congregations, 3	Ministers, 8	Totals	16	18	11	37	2	15	280	6	386	102	$ 2235	$ 1739	$ 45	$ 44	$ 17	$ 61	$ 10	$ 42	$ 8	$ 31	$ 5	$333	$ 5	$ 30	..	$ 4517		103	$ 6411	..	$1553

ILLINOIS

Bethel	Melville K. Carson	411 North Vine, Sparta, Ill.	4	5	4	5	1	5	71	1	75	27	$ 20	$ 177	$	$	$	$	$	$757	$	$ 15	$	$ 42	$	$	$	$ 1000	Yes	51	$ 2652	$	$ 466
Bloomington	G. M. Robb	Bloomington, Ind.	4	5	2	5	2	3	110	3	90	28	484	356	185	86	43	51	86	64	49	38	56	149	24	189	..	....	No	81	2765	7	463
Church Hill	C. R. Woodside, Cor.	Coulterville, Illinois	2	2	..	..	..	3	24	2	....	10	3	5	....	2	2	2	....	....	....	....	....	1	....	....	..	125	No	8	20	..	16
Oakdale	W. O. Ferguson	Oakdale, Illinois	6	7	4	..	2	4	159	3	130	26	1169	560	94	68	24	29	20	414	19	11	21	157	14	50	..	1200	No	46	940	..	479
Old Bethel	Owen F. Thompson	Houston, Illinois	5	6	6	..	5	5	78	2	85	34	358	405	85	89	35	28	14	23	19	6	40	190	8	18	7	1000	Yes	70	2351	..	467
Princeton	J. D. Lathom, Cor.	Princeton, Indiana	3	4	3	1	1	2	58	1	57	22	343	255	7	10	2	1	1	175	....	12	....	35	1	4	..	1200	Yes	29	1403	..	344
Selma	S. F. Kingston	822 Union St., Selma, Ala.	4	4	4	1	1	1	75	3	200	37	2	3	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	..	317	No	26	254	..	57
	G. A. Edgar	Knox Academy, Selma, Ala.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	..	....	....	....	....	..	....
	G. R. Steele	Bloomington, Indiana	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	..	....	....	....	....	..	....
	W. M. Robb	Tak Hing Chau, So. China	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	..	....	....	....	....	..	....
	J. M. Coleman	123 E. 8th St., Bloomington, Ind.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	..	....	....	....	....	..	....
Congregations, 7	Ministers, 9	Totals	28	33	23	12	15	23	575	15	637	184	$ 2379	$ 1761	$371	$256	$106	$111	$121	1433	$ 87	$ 82	$118	$573	$ 47	$261	$7	$ 4842		3	311	$10385	$7	$2294

IOWA

Chicago	T. C. McKnight	6219 Eberhart Ave., Chicago	5	3	..	..	..	..	32	..	50	....	$ 411	$ 171	$500	$	$	$ 25	$	$ 30	$	$ 8	$ 6	$160	$	$	$	$ 1080	No	17	$ 1056	$	$ 344
Hopkinton	George S. Coleman	Hopkinton, Iowa	5	3	2	3	2	2	76	1	57	15	b 439	256	a193	170	38	21	28	c527	33	11	d	127	16	74	..	1265	Yes	39	743	..	394
Morning Sun	H. G. Patterson	Morning Sun, Iowa	6	6	5	10	9	8	161	e3	125	25	1013	603	211	87	48	57	40	82	32	12	226	179	19	76	2	1260	Yes	46	2976	..	693
Rehoboth	W. C. Allen	Wyman, Iowa	3	2	1	..	..	1	36	..	35	....	944	685	24	81	23	26	18	f 78	....	8	49	8	7	27	..	850	Yes	....	850	..	367
Sharon	W. G. Thompson, Cor.	R.F.D. Morning Sun, Iowa	5	4	..	..	1	14	175	3	135	40	1534	965	256	477	371	131	106	102	17	9	....	339	8	....	..	1200	Yes	45	3324	..	883
Vernon	E. I. Dewey, Cor.	Mukwonago, Wis., R.D. 40	2	2	..	..	1	1	38	1	30	....	100	11	14	42	5	9	9	....	....	6	45	12	....	11	..	927	No	5	111	..	130
Washington	W. G. Robb	409 So. 3rd Ave.	3	2	..	1	..	g4	23	..	19	....	146	123	16	22	17	9	8	18	4	5	59	16	6	14	..	757	No	12	221	..	144
	S. B. Houston	Columbus City, Iowa	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	..	....	....	....	....	..	....
	J. S. McGaw	Pgh., Pa., care Nat. Ref. Asso.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	..	....	....	....	....	..	....
	Thomas Patton	Morning Sun, Iowa	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	..	....	....	....	....	..	....
	S. R. Wallace	Syracuse, N. Y.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	..	....	....	....	....	..	....
Congregations, 7	Ministers, 9	Totals	29	22	8	14	13	30	541	8	451	80	$ 4587	$ 2814	1214	$879	$502	$278	$209	$837	$ 86	$ 59	$385	$841	$ 56	$202	$2	$ 7339		4	164	$ 9281	..	$2957

a. $25 for local mission work.
b. $100 for Antioch.
c. $447 for Bible Chair.
d. Included in Miscellaneous.
e. Adults 2.
f. Geneva Bible Chair.
g. By purging roll.

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KANSAS

CONGREGATIONS	MINISTERS	ADDRESS	Elders	Deacons	Inc. in Membership, on Profession	Inc. in Membership, by Certificate	Inc. in Membership, by death	Dec. in Membership, by dismissal	Communicants	Baptisms	Sabbath School Enrollment	Y. P. S. Membership	CONTRIBUTIONS: Syrian Mission	Mission in China	Domestic Mission	Southern Mission	Indian Mission	Jewish Mission	Theological Seminary	Geneva College	Church Erection	Aged People's Home	National Reform	Witness Bearing	Temperance Fund	Ministers', Widows' and Orphans' Fund	Students' Aid	Salary Paid by Congregation	Parsonage	Tithers	Miscellaneous	Literary Fund	Total
Beulah	E. G. Russell	Superior, Neb.	3	4	10	..	..	4	58	5	50	....	$ 205	$ 90	$ 43	$ 14	$ 35	$ 11	$ 5	$ 25	$ 5	$ 6	$ 15	$ 18	$ 6	$ 20	$	$ 605	Yes	10	$ 480	$4	$ 1587
Billings	J. W. Lucas, Cor.	Billings, Okla.	4	3	2	2	2	..	44	1	56	28	161	171	47	11	7	9	8	159	10	7	12	30	8	17	..	900	No	10	802	6	2365
Cache Creek	W. W. Carithers	Apache, Okla.	4	3	1	1	..	2	94	6	50	....	110	120	100	25	20	10	20	175	....	15	....	50	30	50	..	.....	No	6	120	..	845
Clarinda	M. S. McMillan	Clarinda, Iowa	5	4	1	..	4	6	125	4	162	35	1928	1283	420	471	98	206	56	465	4006	15	118	196	175	87	23	1600	Yes	32	2933	..	14080
Denison	J. L. Wright, Cor.	Denison, Kans.	4	5	3	3	1	13	123	5	120	25	296	373	125	55	54	37	35	595	25	20	11	53	22	42	..	1200	No	55	529	4	3476
Eskridge			6	3	3	3	..	6	92	2	76	30	380	250	23	68	64	16	31	765	40	4	39	25	5	33	..	950	No	20	1507	..	4200
Hebron	J. R. W. Stevenson	Idana, Kans.	4	5	2	1	..	12	70	3	90	28	364	302	54	18	22	18	15	137	108	8	26	65	24	29	..	1100	No	49	344	..	2634
Kansas City	J. M. Wylie	4408 Wyom'g St. Kans. Cy. Mo.	2	4	..	7	2	1	81	..	83	....	407	360	131	57	10	4	....	186	34	1	5	10	2	18	..	1700	No	....	935	..	3860
Long Branch	Paul Coleman	Blanchard, Iowa	6	6	1	2	1	1	91	3	107	31	1029	527	92	41	28	19	10	650	22	14	55	103	16	34	..	1200	Yes	34	594	..	4434
Olathe	J. D. Edgar	Olathe, Kans.	6	6	..	4	3	3	120	1	125	25	1807	1715	293	173	84	44	94	958	60	33	358	342	36	137	..	1543	Yes	65	3875	13	11565
Quinter	Elmer S. Graham, Cor.	Quinter, Kansas	5	6	6	..	2	4	97	6	123	27	146	108	10	35	....	10	....	500	....	....	....	....	....	....	..	1200	....	....	985	..	2994
Stafford	J. G. Reed	Stafford, Kansas	5	4	7	3	1	3	66	1	51	18	567	352	10	64	....	....	....	272	....	4	....	36	29	6	..	900	Yes	40	2172	..	4462
Sterling	J. G. McElhinney	Sterling, Kansas	10	11	1	7	4	7	182	4	225	60	1373	2050	125	102	65	40	44	1567	52	26	70	225	32	111	..	1500	No	65	999	..	8381
Superior	E. G. Russell	Superior, Neb.	4	3	1	2	..	3	73	..	60	25	155	222	25	40	30	15	10	45	12	10	45	60	15	35	..	1232	No	50	1039	..	2990
Tabor	T. K. Tippin, Cor.	Miltonvale, Kansas	2	2	..	..	..	2	35	..	40	....	5	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	350	....	2	109	..	464
Topeka	D. R. Taggart	922 Clay St., Topeka, Kansas.	5	9	3	11	..	5	88	2	80	20	452	140	202	66	56	31	23	271	23	10	7	43	24	27	..	1020	Yes	48	905	..	3300
Winchester	E. K. Patton	Winchester, Kansas	10	5	2	2	1	9	205	9	215	40	2130	2398	197	79	47	28	39	2224	47	12	17	197	23	107	..	1367	Yes	130	1774	5	10691
Irving Place Miss.			..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	..	.....	....	....	.....	..	.....
Lieb Mission	J. Ralston Wylie	Lieb, Texas	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	85	10	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	..	.....	....	....	.....	..	95
Mineola Mission	W. N. Smiley, Cor.	Mineola, Kansas	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	..	.....	....	....	.....	..	.....
	J. W. Dill	Sterling, Kansas	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	..	.....	....	....	.....	..	.....
	Isaiah Faris	1112 W. 8th St., Topeka, Kans.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	..	.....	....	....	.....	..	.....
	George R. McBurney	Sterling, Kansas	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	..	.....	....	....	.....	..	.....
	A. J. McFarland	Belle Center, Ohio	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	..	.....	....	....	.....	..	.....
	W. M. McNeel	Richmond, Kansas	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	..	.....	....	....	.....	..	.....
	A. M. Thompson	Eskridge, Kansas	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	..	.....	....	....	.....	..	.....
	R. C. Adams	Tak Hing, China	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	..	.....	....	....	.....	..	.....
	J. C. Mitchell	Tak Hing, China	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	..	.....	....	....	.....	..	.....
	D. H. Elliott	1101 W. 10th, Topeka, Kan.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	..	.....	....	....	.....	..	.....
	W. A. Aikin		..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	..	.....	....	....	.....	..	.....
	J. M. Rutherford		..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	..	.....	....	....	.....	..	.....
Congregations, 17	No. of Ministers, 23	Totals	85	81	46	48	23	81	1644	52	1713	392	$11600	$10471	1897	1319	$620	$498	$390	8994	4444	$185	$778	1503	$447	$753	23	$18367	7	616	$20102	32	$82423

NEW YORK

Barnet	C. S. McLam, Cor.	East Ryegate, Vt.	4	2	9	..	1	..	63	7	85	....	$ 131	$ 121	$	$	$	$	$	$285	$	$	$	$ 10	$	$	$	$ 392	No	....	$ 935	$	$ 1[illegible]4
First Boston	W. J. McKnight	200 Willow Av., W. Somerville, Mass.	3	2	..	..	1	1	65	1	40	....	89	15	....	....	....	....	....	167	....	....	....	28	....	....	....	1792	No	25	176	..	2267
Second Boston	J. M. Foster	44 S. Russell St., Boston, Mass.	3	3	..	..	1	5	44	..	20	....	25	15	10	4	5	3	5	....	20	12	175	50	6	5	3	1800	No	10	950	..	3088
Bovina	T. D. Russell, Cor.	Delhi, N. Y.	4	3	..	..	2	1	63	..	50	20	175	85	50	25	25	....	....	....	....	....	....	55	....	....	....	637	No	....	81	..	1133
Brooklyn	R. C. Montgomery	271 Madison St., Brooklyn, N.Y.	2	2	..	..	2	9	21	..	7	....	54	29	15	6	9	2	3	65	4	6	5	15	7	7	..	1200	No	13	155	..	1582
Cambridge	John K. Gault	20 St Paul St., Cambridge, Mass	4	7	5	7	3	4	63	2	72	20	31	46	19	16	7	10	12	29	12	8	9	23	....	22	..	1800	No	13	843	..	2887
Coldenham	R. J. Dodds	Walden, N. Y.	3	3	..	..	2	5	45	..	67	20	8	31	5	6	6	5	5	....	....	41	13	28	....	3	..	600	Yes	19	312	..	1063
Montclair	John W. Pritchard, Cor.	1105 Tribune Bldg. N.Y. City.	2	4	..	..	..	2	22	2	25	....	276	150	75	30	18	12	15	50	18	5	....	75	9	41	..	625	No	11	.....	..	1389
First Newburgh	John W. F. Carlisle	Newburgh, N. Y.	3	2	2	4	1	6	111	3	100	40	549	740	....	125	30	....	....	....	1021	....	3	....	....	....	....	1600	No	....	1101	..	5169
Second New York	Walter McCarroll	New York City	7	8	..	2	3	2	217	..	172	25	2500	1000	200	150	100	50	50	1181	50	50	85	150	50	75	..	$2250	No	52	2522	..	10463
Third New York	F. M. Foster	305 W. 29th St., N.Y. City	6	5	5	..	1	8	111	5	150	25	394	411	60	23	27	12	17	30	27	10	23	27	5	15	..	2500	No	....	1628	..	5209
† Walton	Boyd A. White	Walton, N. Y.	5	7	2	3	2	..	103	..	121	20	270	242	100	42	34	25	27	546	420	16	69	76	24	47	..	1184	Yes	55	1374	7	4503
* West Hebron	Mrs. Reb'ca C. Keys, Cor.	Cossayuna, N. Y.	2	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	..	.....	....	....	.....	..	.....
White Lake	John H. Pritchard	White Lake, N. Y.	3	4	..	..	..	..	40	..	80	20	25	40	30	10	16	6	10	20	8	5	10	39	3	27	..	700	No	22	160	2	1111
	A. A. Samson	1182 Woodycrest, N.Y. City	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	..	.....	....	....	.....	..	.....
	Julius Kempf	Tak Hing Chau, So. China	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	..	.....	....	....	.....	..	.....
	T. A. Rusk	Shellbourne Av., Londond'le, Pa.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	..	.....	....	....	.....	..	.....
	S. G. Shaw	West Hebron, N. Y.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	..	.....	....	....	.....	..	.....
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Congregations, 14	Ministers 14	Totals	51	53	23	16	19	43	968	20	989	190	$ 4527	$ 2925	$564	$437	$277	$125	$144	2373	1580	$153	$392	$576	$104	$242	$3	$17080	2	220	$10237	9	$41738

Adult Baptisms—Barnet, 6; Cambridge 1.
* Number of West Hebron Communicants uncertain as many hold letters of standing.
All money raised paid to S. G. Shaw for preaching.

† Walton—Rent paid for parsonage since Jan. 1st, 1920.
§ Second New York $2250 for 9 mo. salary.

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PITTSBURGH

CONGREGATIONS	MINISTERS	ADDRESS	Elders	Deacons	Inc. in Membership, on Profession	Inc. in Membership, by Certificate	Dec. in Membership, by death	Dec. in Membership, by dismissal	Communicants	Baptisms	Sabbath School Enrollment	Y. P. S. Membership	CONTRIBUTIONS: Syrian Mission	Mission in China	Domestic Mission	Southern Mission	Indian Mission	Jewish Mission	Theological Seminary	Geneva College	Church Erection	Aged People's Home	National Reform	Witness Bearing	Temperance Fund	Ministers', Widows' and Orphans' Fund	Students' Aid	Salary Paid by Congregation	Parsonage	Tithers	Miscellaneous	Literary Fund	Total
Adamsville and Middletown	R. J. McCracken, Cor.	R.D. 2, W. Sunbury, Pa.	1	..	..	..	..	..	o 9	..	..	..	$	$														$					
Allegheny	W. J. Colemna	2325 Osgood St., N.S., Pgh., Pa.	7	..	5	6	4	13	112	†4	150	30	1128	638	$744	$152	$232	$ 59	$ 76	$293	$ 91	$278	$103	$395	$ 46	$205	$	$ 2000	No	98	$ 1694	$	$ 139
Bear Run and Mahoning	* James Graham, Cor.	RD 2, McGees Mls, Clearfield Co.	4	..	..	..	..	9	33	..	42	....	166	112	54	57	17	16	5	15	25	....	....	40	10	5	..	318	Yes	20	589	..	1429
Beaver Falls	J. Boyd Tweed	Elm St., Patterson Heights, Beaver Falls, Pa.	5	7	1	..	1	9	111	4	263	30	172	184	31	49	6	13	9	24	8	15	21	55	17	27	..	1695	No	33	2201	..	4527
Brookland	Robert Park, S. S.	Parnassus Pa.	1	..	..	..	..	..	c17	..	..	..	25	20	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	25	..	..	..	300	No	..	60	..	430
Central Allegheny	R. C. Reed	236 Langley St, N.S., Pgh., Pa.	3	..	3	..	..	8	80	..	280	20	625	300	50	30	65	5	5	145	115	45	15	5	..	15	5	2000	No	20	1573	..	5003
College Hill	R. W. Redpath	3216 5th Ave., Beaver Falls, Pa.	6	6	1	6	..	7	168	4	203	37	749	558	127	145	93	144	20	1877	17	9	1562	67	650	52	3	1800	No	63	3666	..	11539
Connellsville	J. M. Johnston	904 Morrel Av., Connellsv'le, Pa.	2	..	2	2	..	..	32	1	81	20	51	....	15	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	47	..	..	..	418	No	12	248	..	779
East End	E. L. McKnight	819 Behan St., N.S., Pgh., Pa.	3	5	8	5	1	1	77	2	200	50	120	105	396	15	30	7	7	15	5	4	35	30	5	16	2	797	No	17	2317	..	3906
Geneva	J. C. Slater	415 31st St., Beaver Falls, Pa.	5	6	1	3	2	1	96	†3	150	30	166	203	55	31	82	16	6	319	1340	20	6	242	6	15	..	1560	Yes	30	1228	..	5295
Little Beaver	E. M. Elsey	New Galilee, Pa.	3	4	2	..	..	2	62	1	35	24	No Report																Yes				
Mercer	W. T. K. Thompson	240 S. Erie St., Mercer, Pa.	5	4	..	..	..	2	58	2	48	....	90	102	15	58	62	7	5	5	4	3	....	35	5	6	3	1200	No	30	571	..	2171
Millers Run	S. G. Conner	R.D. 4, McDonald, Pa.	2	..	..	..	3	..	44	..	40	....	540	242	221	234	119	21	34	97	36	13	100	151	18	82	..	1000	No	25	309	..	3217
New Alexandria	D. C. Mathews	New Alexandria, Pa.	6	3	9	2	5	8	115	1	120	25	549	549	140	121	73	28	25	1264	30	40	55	107	16	51	9	1500	Yes	25	784	..	5341
New Castle	E. A. Crooks	605 Oak St., New Castle, Pa.	6	7	11	2	3	11	159	†9	256	35	1454	277	308	169	133	87	56	293	56	32	225	69	211	67	..	1900	Yes	65	2156	16	7509
North Union	A. A. Dickey, Cor.	Mars, Pa.	2	..	..	..	..	1	20	1	..	....	10	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	No	2	25	..	z 35
Parnassus	Robert Park	Parnassus, Pa.	4	3	1	1	2	4	67	1	108	19	558	386	171	71	65	21	....	1172	....	25	60	42	2	7	..	1200	Yes	55	1202	..	4982
Pine Creek	A. Kilpatrick	Valencia, Pa.	1	..	..	..	..	..	12	..	20	....	42	37	28	9	8	6	7	4	5	2	10	4	5	12	..	225	No	12	71	1	476
Union	A. Kilpatrick	Valencia, Pa.	3	1	1	..	..	..	50	..	....	....	180	51	33	32	16	4	11	23	6	7	10	14	3	15	..	375	No	....	286	..	1066
Pittsburgh	T. H. Acheson	117 W. McIntyre Av., N.S. Pgh.	4	6	4	8	5	5	182	2	113	50	2485	4204	804	232	175	79	124	1760	138	56	578	61	17	313	..	2500	No	50	3047	..	16573
Rehoboth	J. T. Mitchell	Mosgrove, Pa.	3	..	..	1	..	..	34	..	25	....	16	16	10	....	....	....	5	5	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	580	No	15	118	..	750
Slippery Rock	R. A. Blair	Rose Point, Pa.	5	3	..	..	1	§9	48	..	74	17	521	135	2	2	85	2	1	77	128	32	2	2	1	1	..	980	Yes	40	257	..	2228
Wilkinsburg	J. B. Willson	810 S. Ave., Wilkinsburg, Pa.	4	..	6	‖3	4	6	125	5	‡182	54	1240	763	605	226	280	65	82	82	98	25	168	406	49	59	9	1800	Yes	....	2240	..	8197
Youngstown	W. W. Dickey, Cor.	1028 Parkwood Av., Youngst'n, O	3	2	3	2	1	1	37	..	52	....	25	30	12	....	12	....	....	10	7805	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	No	....	e 1102	..	8997
Syrian	Anthony Khouri, S. S.	1414 Webster Av., Pgh., Pa.	2	2	5	..	..	1	31	2	24	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	..	....
	R. C. Allen	Grove City, Pa.																										600	No	2		..	600
	T. J. Allen	1808 8th Av., Beaver Falls, Pa.																															
	I. A. Blackwood	11 Division St., Crafton, Pa.																															
	P. P. Boyd	7234 Meade St., Pittsburgh, Pa.																															
	Robert Clarke	3207 College Av., Beaver F'ls, Pa																															
	S. J. Crowe	New Castle, Pa																															
	C. A. Dodds	Pittsburgh, Pa.																															
	A. A. Johnston	3201 College Av., Beaver F'ls, Pa																															
	J. S. Martin	3110 Fifth Av., Beaver Falls, Pa.																															
	R. H. Martin	3400 4th Av., Beaver Falls, Pa.																															
	W. C. McClurkin	108 Lafayette St., N.S. Pgh., Pa.																															
	T. A. McElwain	Beaver Falls, Pa.																															
	R. J. McIsaac	Rochester Mills, Pa.																															
	R. J. G. McKnight	1311 Singer St., Wilkinsb'g, Pa.																															
	J. L. Pinkerton	Waupaca, Wis.																															
	B. M. Sharp	408 Penn Bldg., Pittsburgh, Pa.																															
	J. S. Stewart	Latakia, Syria																															
	J. R. Wylie	Beaver Falls, Pa.																															
	R. C. Wylie	119 W. McIntyre Av., N.S. Pgh.																															
	John Yates	Parnassus, Pa.																															
	John Coleman	2915 College Av., Beaver F'ls, Pa																															
Congregations, 25	Ministers, 40	Totals	90	59	63	41	32	98	1779	42	2466	441	$10912	$ 8912	3821	1633	1553	$580	$478	7485	9907	$606	2951	1797	1066	$948	31	$24748	. 8	$614	$25744	17	103189

* Cor. of Mahoning branch; Clark C. Pollock, Marion Center, Pa. (R. D.)
‖ Restored to roll, 1.
‡ Tacoma Street Mission—70.
c. Discrepancy when compared with last year's report.
† Adults, 1.
¶ For New Church.
o. Estimated from last year's report.
Totals do not include Little Beaver.
§ Correcting roll.
e. Including furnishing new church.
z. Incomplete report.

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NEW BRUNSWICK AND NOVA SCOTIA

CONGREGATIONS	MINISTERS	ADDRESS	Elders	Deacons	Inc. in Membership, on Profession	Inc. in Membership, by Certificate	Dec. in Membership, by death	Dec. in Membership, by dismissal	Communicants	Baptisms	Sabbath School Enrollment	Y. P. S. Membership	CONTRIBUTIONS: Syrian Mission	Mission in China	Domestic Mission	Southern Mission	Indian Mission	Jewish Mission	Theological Seminary	Geneva College	Church Erection	Aged People's Home	National Reform	Witness Bearing	Temperance Fund	Ministers', Widows' and Orphans' Fund	Students' Aid	Salary Paid by Congregation	Parsonage	Tithers	Miscellaneous	Literary Fund	Total
St. John	Mrs. William Mullin	154 Waterloo St., St. John, N. B.	1	4	..	..	..	..	12	..	....	....	$ 30	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	No	....	$ 148	..	$ 178
Barnesville	W. J. Curry	Barnesville, King Co., N. B.	2	6	..	..	..	..	18	..	20	....	10	10	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	No	....	41	..	61
Cornwallis	Thomas McFall	Somerset, Nova Scotia	3	..	..	2	2	..	43	..	....	....	133	118	49	10	5	5	....	11	....	5	....	14	5	10	..	600	No	....	....	..	965
Congregations, 3	Ministers, 1	Totals	6	10	..	2	2	..	73	..	20	....	$ 173	$ 128	$ 49	$ 10	$ 5	$ 5	....	$ 11	....	$ 5	....	$ 14	$ 5	$ 10	..	$ 600		....	$ 189	..	$ 1201

OHIO

Belle Center	R. W. Piper	Belle Center, O.	3	..	1	2	2	3	32	..	25	12	$ 130	$ 117	$ 23	$ 17	$	$	$	$291	$	$	$ 18	$ 16	$	$	$	$ 1050	Yes	12	$ 198	..	$ 1866
Bellefontaine	H. G. Foster	Bellefontaine, O.	2	..	15	..	2	..	41	..	65	20	50	50	40	....	....	....	....	25	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	640	No	28	433	..	1233
Cedarville	R. S. McElhinney	Cedarville, O.	2	..	..	..	..	..	30	..	20	....	79	78	48	30	24	7	9	17	*9	5	22	41	7	15	4	681	No	....	240	..	1310
Cincinnati	F. F. Reade	2315 Wheeler St., Cincinnati	3	3	..	2	..	1	59	..	88	22	261	88	34	43	11	6	5	727	6	17	16	51	30	15	..	1600	Yes	31	1323	..	4236
Hetherton	H. G. McConaughy	Hetherton, Mich.	5	3	1	..	1	..	54	1	40	12	193	155	46	35	12	10	12	28	20	6	....	59	8	16	..	752	No	....	800	..	2152
Jonathan's Creek	A. R. McFarland, Cor.	South Zanesville, O.	2	1	..	..	3	1	31	1	36	....	152	124	18	9	7	8	7	11	8	8	21	56	6	16	6	500	No	15	482	..	1437
New Concord	Jesse W. Wilson, Cor.	New Concord, O.	3	3	1	..	7	1	52	2	60	....	248	217	45	32	15	10	2	197	9	17	12	62	11	25	..	770	No	25	412	..	2085
Ray	Wilson Duguid, Cor.	Ray, Ind.	2	1	..	..	2	2	22	..	24	....	85	59	11	12	4	2	2	4	3	1	19	14	7	2	..	356	No	....	256	..	833
Southfield	J. C. French	Birmingham, Mich.	4	5	2	2	1	3	60	8	55	30	248	185	49	33	6	4	5	17	6	2	30	40	3	14	..	1013	No	....	242	..	1897
United Miami	R. Hargrave	R. 2, Huntsville, O.	6	6	4	..	6	9	101	7	90	35	275	286	48	117	43	31	29	48	29	....	....	90	18	28	..	1200	Yes	15	1488	..	3731
Utica	D. B. Martin	Utica, O.	3	4	2	..	1	..	70	..	80	....	584	450	17	281	19	8	16	16	11	38	215	42	5	22	..	1200	No	20	1225	..	4142
Fairgrove Mission	Mrs. J. S. Wylie	Fairgrove, O.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Londonderry Miss.	S. W. Morrison, Cor.	Freeport, O.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Musk'm & Tomica Mission	John Robinson, Cor.	Dresden, O.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	E. C. Mitchell	Lo-Ting, China	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	T. C. Sproull	7146 Race St., Pittsburgh	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	W. S. Fulton	Cedarville, O.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Congregations, 11	Ministers, 11	Totals	35	26	26	6	25	20	552	19	538	131	$ 2305	$ 1809	$379	$609	$141	$ 86	$ 87	1381	$101	$ 94	$353	$471	$ 95	$153	10	$ 9762	3	146	$ 7099	..	$24937

PACIFIC COAST

Hemet	J. S. Thompson	Hemet, California	4	4	..	3	1	2	30	1	32	....	$ †287	$ 154	$ 90	$ 75	$ 31	$ 31	$ 19	$430	$122	$ 15	$ 72	$ 49	$ 12	$ 32	..	$ 767	No	25	$ 613	$	$ 2796
Los Angeles	P. J. McDonald	906 E. 28th St., Los Angeles	5	5	2	4	2	22	86	*1	106	30	†1070	539	337	135	81	48	68	$364	81	21	202	337	41	183	..	1800	No	40	840	7	6157
Portland	F. D. Frazer	1206 Haight Ave., Portland	3	4	1	..	..	..	32	..	90	18	†454	231	110	60	24	31	21	$450	20	8	....	213	10	50	..	1050	No	19	442	3	2990
Santa Ana	G. N. Greer	720 E. 3rd St., Santa Ana	4	4	1	5	4	2	82	..	80	25	†555	300	62	42	20	66	23	$182	30	14	32	119	25	39	..	1350	No	31	442	5	3306
Seattle	T. M. Slater	1805 Bellevue Ave., Seattle	7	5	1	..	2	‖8	112	1	200	35	650	400	250	100	60	35	50	150	50	15	25	250	30	135	..	1954	No	50	3373	5	7537
Fresno (Miss. Sta.)		Mrs. Loren Towner, Sanger, Cal.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Congregations, 5	Ministers, 5	Totals	23	22	5	12	9	34	342	3	508	108	$ 3016	$ 1624	$849	$412	$216	$211	$181	1576	$303	$ 73	$331	$968	$118	$439	..	$ 6921	No	165	$ 5525	20	$22786

* Adult.

† Including Emergency Funds.

§ Including Bible Chair Endowment.

‖ By purging roll—7.

PHILADELPHIA

First	S. J. Johnston	5125 Webster St.	7	7	3	4	1	6	170	2	90	35	$ 2695	$ 148	$105	$ 60	$ 22	$ 11	$ 19	$576	$172	$ 12	$ 58	$ 83	$ 10	$ 15	..	$ 333	No	40	$ 3642	4	$ 7967
Second	J. C. McFeeters	1719 Mt. Vernon St.	6	..	10	..	6	2	170	1	93	30	1796	893	63	25	15	9	13	1140	15	40	....	94	7	34	..	2000	No	70	2053	..	8190
Third	Findley M. Wilson	2517 North Franklin St.	6	5	9	..	5	9	180	5	245	30	4802	7617	623	307	203	153	109	1689	131	63	498	100	66	296	..	3000	No	90	2273	11	21949
	M. M. Pearce	215 Buckingham Place	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Orlando, Florida Mission	G. McLauray	Orlando, Florida	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Congregations, 3	Ministers, 4	Totals	19	12	22	4	12	17	520	8	428	95	$ 9293	$ 8658	$791	$392	$240	$173	$141	3405	$318	$115	$556	$277	$ 83	$345	..	$ 5333		200	$ 7968	15	$38101

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ROCHESTER

CONGREGATIONS	MINISTERS	ADDRESS	Elders	Deacons	Inc. in Membership, on Profession	Inc. in Membership, by Certificate	Dec. in Membership, by dismissal	Dec. in Membership, by death	Communicants	Baptisms	Sabbath School Enrollment	Y. P. S. Membership	CONTRIBUTIONS: Syrian Mission	Mission in China	Domestic Mission	Southern Mission	Indian Mission	Jewish Mission	Theological Seminary	Geneva College	Church Erection	Aged People's Home	National Reform	Witness Bearing	Temperance Fund	Ministers', Widows' and Orphans' Fund	Students' Aid	Salary Paid by Congregation	Parsonage	Tithers	Miscellaneous	Literary Fund	Total
Almonte	James McCune	Almonte, Ontario	4	4	3	..	..	2	77	..	55	12	$ 390	$ 310	$ 63	$ 53	$ 42	$ 30	$ 20	$108	$ 25	$ 13	$ 17	$ 34	$ 16	$ 48	$	$* 966	Yes	$ 65	$ 696	$	$ 2831
Lisbon	William Robson, Cor.	Lisbon, N. Y.	3	1	..	..	..	..	25	..	25	....	50	50	....	13	8	6	11	....	....	6	....	38	6	14	..	c 332	Yes	6	174	5	713
Lochiel	J. R. Latimer	Glen Sanfield, Ontario	2	3	2	..	1	..	e 22	1	20	....	92	90	115	94	10	5	5	10	....	....	....	25	1	15	..	400	Yes	8	78	..	940
Syracuse	A. A. Wylie	2506 S. State, Syracuse, N. Y.	4	5	1	..	3	..	51	2	96	27	587	461	92	51	19	23	10	144	24	5	2	165	17	22	..	1800	No	30	739	6	4167
York	W. J. Sanderson	York, N. Y.	5	4	2	..	1	1	78	1	70	20	120	266	53	43	25	14	13	339	16	15	19	39	10	24	..	900	Yes	10	745	8	2649
	William McFarland	224 W. Laf'te Av., Syracuse N.Y	..	..	..	..	..	..	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Congregations, 5	Ministers, 5	Totals	18	17	8	..	2	6	253	4	266	59	$ 1239	$ 1177	$323	$254	$104	$ 78	$ 59	$601	$ 65	$ 39	$ 38	$301	$ 50	$123	..	$ 4398	4	$119	$ 2432	19	$11300

In Syracuse report on Syrian Mission, Cash, $225; Liberty Bonds, $150.
In Syracuse report on Chinese Missions, Cash, $306; Liberty Bonds, $100.
In Syracuse report on Witness Bearing, Cash, $115; Liberty Bonds, $50.

* And Manse.
e. Mistake in last year's report.
c. And Manse, six months stated supply.

SUMMARY

	Congregations	Ministers	Elders	Deacons	Inc. in Membership, on profession	Inc. in Membership, by certificate	Dec. in Membership, by death	Dec. in Membership, by dismissal	Communicants	Baptisms	Sabbath School Enrollment	Y. P. S. Membership	Syrian Mission	Mission in China	Domestic Mission	Southern Mission	Indian Mission	Jewish Mission	Theological Seminary	Geneva College	Church Erection	Aged People's Home	National Reform	Witness Bearing	Temperance Fund	Ministers', Widows' and Orphans' Fund	Students' Aid	Salary Paid by Congregation	Parsonage	Tithers	Miscellaneous	Literary Fund	Total
Central Canada	4	2	10	11	3	3	1	12	153	1	200	....	$ 351	$ 125	$ 16	$ 46	$ 7	$ 3	$ 9	$ 38	$ 8	$ 13	$ 10	$ 38	$ 9	$ 19	$ 5	$ 1978	1	30	$ 1719	$	$ 4394
Colorado	3	8	16	18	11	37	2	15	280	6	386	102	2235	1739	45	44	17	61	10	42	8	31	5	333	5	30	....	4517	..	103	6411	....	15533
Illinois	7	9	28	33	23	12	15	23	575	15	637	184	2379	1761	371	256	106	111	121	1433	87	82	118	573	47	261	7	4842	3	311	10385	7	22947
Iowa	7	9	29	22	8	14	13	30	541	8	451	80	4587	2814	1214	879	502	278	209	837	86	59	385	841	56	202	2	7339	4	164	9281	....	29571
Kansas	17	23	85	81	46	43	23	81	1644	52	1713	392	11600	10471	1897	1319	620	498	390	8994	4444	185	778	1503	447	753	23	18367	7	616	20102	32	82423
New Brunswick and Nova Scotia	3	1	6	10	....	2	2	....	73	....	20	....	173	128	49	10	5	5	.....	11	.....	5	.....	14	5	10	....	600	..	....	189	....	1204
New York	14	14	51	53	23	16	19	43	968	20	989	190	4709	2925	564	437	277	125	144	2368	1580	153	392	576	104	242	3	17080	2	220	10050	9	41738
Ohio	11	11	35	26	26	6	25	20	552	19	583	131	2305	1809	379	609	141	86	87	1381	101	94	353	471	95	153	10	9762	3	146	7099	....	24935
Pacific Coast	5	5	23	22	5	12	9	34	342	3	508	108	3016	1624	849	412	216	211	181	1576	303	73	331	968	118	439	20	6921	..	165	5525	....	22783
Philadelphia	3	4	19	12	22	4	12	17	520	8	428	95	9293	8658	791	392	240	173	141	3405	318	115	556	277	83	345	....	5333	..	200	7968	15	38103
Pittsburgh	25	40	90	59	63	41	32	98	1779	42	2466	441	10912	8912	3821	1633	1553	580	478	7485	9907	606	2951	1797	1066	948	31	24748	8	614	25744	17	103189
Rochester	5	5	18	17	8	....	2	6	253	4	266	59	1239	1177	323	254	104	78	59	601	65	39	38	301	50	123	....	4398	4	119	2432	19	11300
Mission in Levant	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	255	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	..	....	.....	....	.....
Mission in China	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	535	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	..	....	.....	....	.....
Totals	104	131	410	364	238	195	155	379	8520	178	8647	1782	$52799	$42143	$10319	$ 6291	$ 3788	$ 2209	$ 1829	$28171	$16907	$ 1455	$ 5917	$ 7692	$ 2085	$ 3525	$101	$ 105885	32	2688	$ 106905	$ 99	$ 398120